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**CHILDREN'S HOUR**—King George and Queen Elizabeth on a Christmas season visit to homeless children from Battersea Park, one of south London's poorer districts, who are being fed at a communal centre. Every London Borough Council and the council of almost every town in Britain have organized communal centres where food and occasional clothing, are provided for the members of families whose homes have been destroyed. They are staffed by members of the Women's Voluntary Service and the food is supplied free to those who cannot easily pay for it.

## The War Today

By KIRKE L. SIMPSON

### 1941 CRACK-UP

Apart from the Yuletide lull in the aerial struggle, Britons could find a real silver lining in the war clouds as they looked forward to the New Year.

They could sense that their war captains confidently expect the Axis to crack up some time in 1941 and omens of ultimate victory to appear.

### INVASION?

Even the revived invasion peril has lost much of its terror. It is arguable that within the inner councils of London's war strategists a Nazi attempt today, tomorrow or any day to bridge the Channel would not be unwelcome. They would read it as a certain symptom that Nazism is desperate—is beginning to crumble under the war strain.

Where and when an opportunity for direct attack on Germany may come next year none can certainly say. Unquestionably, however, if Prime Minister Churchill's prediction of a great new German offensive against Britain within two months should be verified and that thrust be repulsed, a major British stroke at her chief enemy would be in order.

### EASED

Crushing British defeat of the Italian army of invasion in Egypt has vastly eased pressure in that theatre for Britain.

Italy's commander in Africa, Marshal Graziani, has publicly explained his defeat by claiming that Britain succeeded, even while in momentary peril of invasion, in massing overwhelming odds against him. In publishing his explanation of his defeat, Rome admitted tacitly that the British had been undented by Fascist sea, subsea and air power, and that all Italian Africa was isolated.

### BLUNDER

Whatever the forces Britain poured into Egypt for that counter offensive, she did not lack for troops to reinforce also the garrison of her vital far eastern base, Singapore. Troops of all arms had been dispatched to Malta, according to official announcements.

That blunts any probability of Japanese aggressive action to seize that British outpost on the other side of the world, just as British and Greek victories in the Mediterranean theatre make the rumors of Axis-Spanish attack on Gibraltar meaningless.

### FIRESIDE CHAT

Interest grew today as to what President Roosevelt will have to say in his fireside chat next Sunday.

Many observers in the United States expected the President would make a clarion call for all-out production of weapons to meet what William S. Knudsen of his United States defence advisory commission has called a "terrible urgency."

Mr. Roosevelt is known to share the late Lord Lothian's belief that the basic security of the United States is tied up in the maintenance of British seapower, based in Britain and controlling the key points—Gibraltar, Suez, Singapore, Cape of Good Hope, Australia.

The fact that he has scheduled an important address just a week before the new Congress meets January 3, convinced some observers that the President is ready to outline and explain the measures he intends to carry out to implement his election campaign promises of all aid to Britain "short of war."

The possibility that he may have something dramatic to announce was not discounted.

### SPEED UP

Since disclosure by Knudsen that United States production of arms has fallen behind expectation, the President has reorganized the defence commission, placing Knudsen in charge of a new office of production management.

Now the President may be ready to call for round-the-clock seven-days-a-week production in the vital industries, or some other drastic step to ensure that output keeps step with requirements.

### Thyssen Detained

CANNES, France (AP)—Fritz Thyssen, German steel and armaments manufacturer, who was stripped of German citizenship last February after difficulties with the Nazi government, has been detained by French police. He had been living in Cannes several months.

## Britain Doubles Guards on Coast

LONDON (AP and CP)—Great Britain's bomb-free Christmas holiday ended today when a single German plane made an afternoon attack on the Isle of Sheppey, in the Thames estuary.

There was little damage and no casualties.

"There is nothing further to report," a late afternoon communiqué said.

No bombs had been dropped on London since the sirens last were heard at 1.20 a.m. Monday and the Royal Air Force refrained from activity over Germany since the night of December 23-24.

The only incident of the unofficial Christmas truce was the shooting down of a German plane off the Orkney Islands, off northern Scotland, by the fleet air arm and the capture of its four-man crew.

Guards on the Channel coast were doubled today against the possibility of a lightning German thrust through the mist covering the now calm Strait of Dover.

Picked troops armed with Bren guns and other automatic weapons combed the beaches and watched every cleft of the cliffs.

Coastal traffic was halted at barricades and drivers and passengers searched. Even soldiers and sailors in uniform were required to show identity cards.

Despite the unofficial Christmas truce, Britons recalled Gen. Walter von Brauchitsch's Christmas Eve address to Nazi troops which was taken to indicate that Hitler's plans for an invasion attempt by no means had been scrapped.

The absence of either German



**SMASHED BY BRITISH BOMBS**—Long-range British bombers flew to Mannheim, important German commercial and trading city on the Rhine, this week, and for seven hours subjected the city to incessant air attacks. Tons of bombs were dropped and damage of vital importance was affected. Moonlight made the targets easily visible. This is a view of Mannheim in more peaceful days.

Military circles in London, however, said this evening "there is absolutely no change in the situation along the Channel coast."

scouting or bombing planes yesterday and most of today was taken in some quarters as evidence there was nothing "unusual" along the Channel. These quarters declared the

Germans hardly would attack a well defended coast even if there was a heavy mist without preliminary bombardment, either by bombing aircraft or long range artillery.

### Showdown With Russia?

## Nazis Mass Troops in Rumania

By ROBERT B. PARKER

BUDAPEST (AP)—Nazi leaders in Rumania were reported in diplomatic dispatches today to have ordered a big speed-up in Rumania's manufacture of war materials as crowded trains, carrying the vanguard of some 300,000 fresh German troops, rolled across Hungary into the Balkan kingdom of young King Michael.

The vast movement of troops with artillery, bridge-building equipment, tanks and other motorized vehicles stirred speculation on the possibility of a showdown between powers with conflicting interests in the Balkans.

### To Start March Through Bulgaria?

Diplomatic sources thought that perhaps Germany at last was planning action against Turkey and Greece through Bulgaria or preparing for a showdown with Soviet Russia, or simply strengthening military forces in Rumania to assure civil order, or sparring for position against Russia.

In the last case the impressive movement of troops, which will utilize 1,160 trains from now until January 31, may be only part of a game of bluff.

Diplomatic dispatches from Bucharest said there was increasing tension between the Soviet and the Rome-Berlin axis.

Soviet diplomats openly declare the Red army is preparing to occupy the Rumanian province of Moldavia up to the Siret River and all mouths of the Danube shortly after the new year opens.

The dispatches from Bucharest said two large Rumanian industrial plants would manufacture warplanes for Germany.

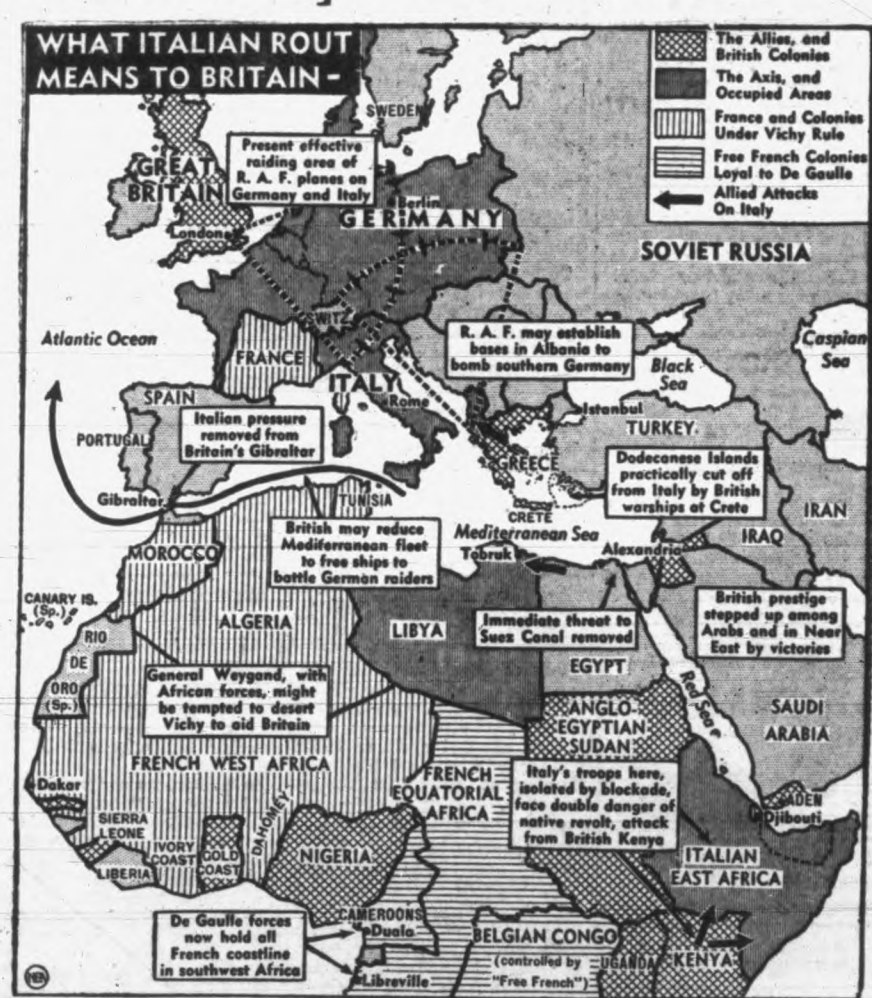
### Want More Subs From Galati Yard

A submarine building yard already in operation at Galati has been ordered to increase its production, the dispatches said.

The mass shifting of troops and the speed-up order coincided with the appointment of Baron Manfred von Killinger, German minister to Slovakia, to the same post in Rumania. Informed sources said the baron was prepared to rule Rumania as virtual Nazi gaulite (district leader).

Although Germany has taken no hand in Rumania's civil administration thus far, diplomatic reports from Bucharest asserted the Reich was prepared to take over complete control.

Military experts estimated Ger-



Every step of retreat taken by Italian troops across Libyan sands means increased power and prestige for Great Britain. Map spots possibilities that may result from a partial or complete defeat of Italy by Britain in Africa and in the Mediterranean.

## LATEST

### Roosevelt Asked To Go All Way

WASHINGTON (AP)—The White House said today that more than 150 prominent United States citizens had urged President Roosevelt to "make it the settled policy of this country to do everything that may be necessary to insure the defeat of the Axis powers."

### Storm Warning

Southeast storm warnings flew again today from Tatoosh Island southward, and a new storm centre was reported in Bering Sea, bringing precipitation to most of Alaska.

### Ship Torpedoed

NEW YORK (AP)—The British freighter Wadofra, 12,823-ton refrigerated ship, radioed this afternoon that she had been torpedoed about 400 miles northwest of the Irish coast.

### Japs Demand Shanghai Control

SHANGHAI (AP)—The dominant voice in the administration of Shanghai's international settlement was asked today by the Shanghai Japanese Taxpayers' Association in a message by its president, Yukichi Hayashi. Japanese say there are 80,000 Japanese living in Shanghai.

### Christmas Day Used for Repairs

LONDON (CP)—The Supply Ministry announced today that key men in the British arms factories utilized the Christmas Day recess from operations—and bombing—to do vital repair and maintenance work on machines that had seldom stopped since the industrial speed-up following Dunkerque.

It added that at one arms factory which the Germans reported had been bombed to bits the workers went on with their jobs after every pane of glass had been blown from the skylights, and that when rain began the women workers tied umbrellas above their machines and kept on with their duties.

### Flood Danger In California

SACRAMENTO (AP)—A new storm sweeping inland from the Pacific Ocean brought forecasts this afternoon of more rain for the Sacramento Valley, already drenched by days of pelting rains.

Rivers throughout the valley remained at high levels, although U.S. Meteorologist E. H. Fletcher said they were substantially below the danger mark.

The new storm will increase the danger of floods, Fletcher said, but the situation is not precarious.

### Hotel Strike

VANCOUVER (CP)—Striking waiters and bus boys today continued picketing Hotel Vancouver as their walkout in an effort to obtain higher wages and union recognition entered its third day.

Acting Mayor H. L. Corey has offered to act as an intermediary

### What Ho, Caesar?



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## Brief Interlude Of Peace For Christmas

By the Canadian Press

A Christmas interlude of peace spread silence over a world at war, with the Yuletide holiday marked yesterday by only a few episodes of violence, although fighting continued in Libya.

Far out in the north Atlantic, off the coast of Scotland, a submarine shelled the 5,222-ton British freighter Everleigh in a spectacular stern chase.

A German aircraft flew over the Orkney Islands, north of Scotland, and was shot down.

A French warplane was shot down by Spanish anti-aircraft batteries at La Linea, Spain, opposite Gibraltar.

And once again, German troops were on the move, by the tens of thousands, into Rumania.

The day of the Nativity passed quietly in Britain and Germany. No bombs fell in either country.

In Washington, President Roosevelt attended a church service in the morning, then carved a plump Christmas turkey in the White House and received a call from Prince Olaf and Crown Princess Martha of Norway.

The cockney—and cocky—London working folk made this Christmas night one to be remembered.

They figuratively "tore the lid off" the deep air raid and subway shelters where costermongers, charwomen, teamsters, shopgirls and factory workers have found safe retreat from German air bombs.

## Canadian Forces Hear From Premier

In Canada Prime Minister Maclellan King extended the Dominion's greetings to its men in arms.

Canadians worshipped as they have every Christmas, and sat down to the traditional Christmas dinner, many with thoughts of their loved ones in other parts of the world fighting.

Hitler observed the day with war workers and soldiers at an undisclosed place somewhere "in the west."

Over two-way channels parents in Britain spoke to their children evacuated to safety in Canada, the United States and elsewhere.

There were many heart-tugging "Hello, mummy, hello daddy" salutes across the seas.

In the little town of Bethlehem, where Christ was born nearly 2,000 years ago, thousands of khaki-clad British soldiers mingled with throngs of pilgrims.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## Italian Planes Fail to Stop British in Libya

# Final Assault on Bardia Prepared

CAIRO (AP)—The siege of Bardia, entered its 10th day today with the Italian garrison facing steadily increasing pressure from British forces holding the battered Libyan port in a grip of steel.

Reports from the front indicated the Italian air force was making desperate efforts to break up British preparations for a final assault on the beleaguered town, which British headquarters hinted might not be long delayed. Fascist dive bombers were reported to be taking an active part in the defence of Bardia, but the British said they had proved largely ineffective and caused few casualties.

British military circles here would not say how soon they expected Bardia to fall, but emphasized the lines around the town were being reinforced steadily, and that the Italians' position would become more difficult daily as food and water supplies dwindled.

## British Operating West of Town

Mechanized British forces were said to be continuing activity in the desert south and west of Bardia, while the Royal Air Force concentrated on pounding Italian airbases and bases far to the

west and along the coast. British general headquarters issued this communique Thursday:

"Libya: No change in the situation. On the Sudan frontier: One of our fighting patrols carried out a successful raid east of Kassala, inflicting a number of casualties on the enemy and returning with a prisoner and some equipment. On other fronts: Nothing of importance to report."

## Italians Claim Planes Score Hits

ROME (AP)—The Italian high

command claimed today its air force has been subjecting British troops and naval forces besieging Bardia to an "intensive bombardment" and scored hits on a British warship along the north African coast.

British mechanized forces operating along the Libyan-Egyptian frontier south of Bardia also were "effectively bombed," the communique claimed.

The high command also claimed Italian submarines had sunk a British light cruiser in the central Mediterranean and two large steamships in the Atlantic.

(None of these claims was confirmed. Previous such claims have been shown to be exaggerations.)

The same submarine which the high command said sank the two steamships in the Atlantic by shellfire also hit another vessel with a torpedo, the communique declared. The sinking of the light cruiser was said to have taken place December 21 and the bombing of the warship Christmas Eve.

The communique indicated there was no Christmas truce on the Greek or the north African fronts.

## Italians Read Little Of Churchill Speech

ROME (AP)—The Italian press has given its public a highly censored summary of Prime Minister Winston Churchill's radio appeal to Italians.

In comment, Stefani, Italian news agency, went back to the League of Nations sanctions applied to Italy because of her Ethiopian campaign.

"Evidently the attempt to strangle Italy economically through a League of Nations siege, to starve our women and children and place our legionary army in difficulty while it was fighting in Ethiopia finally to give the Italian people a bit of breathing space is considered a mere trifle by Mr. Churchill," the agency said.

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Mr. Chodorov and his associates teach the plain gospel of Henry George, that all taxes be abolished except rent on land.

"Take New York City, for example," Mr. Chodorov said. "The city has about \$16,000,000,000 worth of land and buildings. Eliminate the tax on the buildings, assess the land according to its values for use in the open market. The result would encourage building, discourage speculation in land, cause rents to fall."

## COLLECTIVISM AHEAD

Mr. Chodorov believes that U.S. economy is in danger of going the haywire way of Germany after the World War. Collectivism, he holds, is the next step, either a tyrannical state with a slave master, or a single-tax system wherein the state would "confiscate the rent from land that now goes into private pockets."

In Germany, he says, the Nazis took over the rents from land, but made the damning mistake of making slaves of capital and labor. "Hitler," he observes, "offered the workers in the street a uniform, a Sam Browne belt and a full belly to back his economy of security. It led to social, mental and moral disintegration."

## Father Coughlin Wants to Get Back on Air

NEW YORK—Under a big, black headline, "Father Coughlin Back on the Air," the magazine Social Justice rakes up a rumor that "a movement is on foot to obtain 25,000,000 signatures to get Father Coughlin back on the air, elections or no elections."

Having thus started this report into circulation, Social Justice, which is Father Coughlin's own weekly bugle, then "authoritatively" advises Father Coughlin's friends to have nothing to do with any movement to get him back on the air until Father Coughlin will officially sponsor such a movement through these pages or elsewhere.

## UNWELCOME FATHER

Father Coughlin, a Canadian from St. Michael's College, Toronto, wound up his 1939-40 season, his 14th on the air, last spring after a year in which he was the main worry of the broadcasting business because of his anti-Semitic statements and advocacy of governmental reforms which sounded Fascistic. Father Coughlin was the announced target of the code adopted by the National Association of Broadcasters refusing to sell radio time (except at elections) for the discussion of controversial subjects.

The NAB code caused wide defections from Father Coughlin's "network" of 54 independent stations, but in July he announced that he would resume his broadcasting on October 20. As October approached, however, he had become nobody's baby politically after Wendell Willkie repudiated his support in the presidential campaign. So on September 21 Father Coughlin announced that he would not broadcast this season, a decision he declared was "forced" upon him by "men powerful in the field of radio and other activities."

Social Justice's reporting of the 25,000,000-signature movement, at a time when Father Coughlin's acceptability both as preacher and politician is at its lowest, sounds more like the promotion of the humor than the scotching of it. The wording of the disclaimed "... until Father Coughlin will officially sponsor such a movement ..." seems more prophecy than denial.

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## Villages Taken From Italians

# Greeks Advance Along Adriatic

ATHENS (AP)—Rain and snow slowed fighting on the Albanian battlefield today but the Greeks reported they continued their advance along the Adriatic coast north of Chimara without making contact with the main Italian line.

Over most of the front engagements were of a local nature. The battle for Tepeleni and Kilsura in the central sector continued in intense cold and waist-deep snow.

A captured lieutenant-colonel of the Italian army said Fascist troops were suffering severely from the weather and the difficulty of getting supplies. He said many battalions were reduced from 700 men to 200 because of losses.

This officer, who commanded Bersagliere units, said many had died from cold while many were in hospital with severe frostbite.

## Italian Bombs Kill 15 at Corfu

A Christmas bombing of Corfu by Italian aircraft after British airmen had "bombed" the island with gifts was announced by the Greek high command. The Italians killed 15 persons and wounded about 30.

Most of the victims were women and children, the high command said. It added: "Since the outbreak of the war, Corfu has been bombed 23 times. According to international agreement, Corfu is an open town where there are no military targets. The Italian raids were directed against the civil population exclusively."

In worshipping at the dimly-lit Church of the Nativity.

## Canadian Holiday Death Toll 28

Tragedy hung over many homes as Canada's Christmas holiday death toll stood at 28 today with traffic accidents the largest individual cause of death. War preparations accounted for two deaths and other causes included fire, level crossing accidents and falls.

In Ontario, where there had been only 13 fatalities during a three-day Christmas holiday last year the toll was 16.

The worst single tragedy occurred when fire destroyed the home of James Stein at Cornwall, Ont., bringing death to Stein's wife and four children as well as a boarder, 32-year-old Telesphere Laprade. Stein alone escaped.

Fatal injuries were suffered by two armors, Almaraz Fare, 27, of Quebec City, and Jean Paul Dorion, 19, Lewis, when an anti-aircraft gun discharged on a firing range near the Dominion Government Arsenal at Valcartier, Que.

In Halifax 24-year-old Able Seaman R. Ayres of the Royal Naval Reserve was killed Christmas night when he slipped from the edge of an empty drydock and plunged 50 feet to its steel floor.

Mystery surrounded the death of William Melton, a lumberjack believed to come from the Owen Sound district, whose body was found in the ice at Blind River, in Northern Ontario. It was known that there was a deep cut behind the man's left ear. Railway trains killed at least five persons.

## 2 Vancouver People Killed

In Vancouver two persons were killed and a score of others injured, one seriously, as result of holiday accidents. More than 25 traffic accidents were reported.

Robert Charles Benson was killed almost instantly last night when struck by an automobile as he was crossing a downtown intersection.

Miss Vera Main, 70, died in a hospital from injuries received Christmas Eve when she slipped and fell from the steps of a downtown streetcar. The car was not in motion.



**LOVERS OF FREEDOM, TAKE NOTE**—The population of a conquered Greek village acclaimed our troops as liberators, read the Italian caption on this picture. If the utter misery and despair mirrored on these "liberated Greeks" faces was born of the joy of new-found freedom it is not easily recognizable. Il Duce's propaganda machine is undoubtedly slipping.

British Royal Air Force fliers in the day had dropped packages of gifts to a large throng in the little island in the Ionian Sea. The inhabitants had been told in advance of the aerial expedition. The presents, British sources said, were in appreciation of kindnesses shown British airmen who have had to land on Corfu.

## Villages Captured By Fighting Greeks

Bitter cold, deep snows and heavy mists curtailed fighting in Albania, but in skirmishes on the northern front the high command said fortified positions had been captured from Italy's vaunted Alpine troops in the area west of the Drinos River.

Several villages also were reported taken by the Greeks, but their names were not announced.

In the southern section, advances reaching here said, Italian troops retreating north along the coast from Chimara dug in at Logara Pass for a stand against the Greeks advancing toward Valona, important port 15 miles north.

## Full Weight of War Aid Late Next Summer

# Flood of U.S. Supplies For Britain Next Winter

LONDON (AP)—Sir Walter Layton of the ministry of supply told Britons that "if we hold on through 1941" the volume of United States production of war materials will reach an apex next winter "and is a certainty of ultimate victory."

He advised: "Don't expect a miracle from the United States." The time element and the difficulty of making the United States realize fully the "scale of war effort needed" were two factors, he said, which should show Britain that the full weight of U.S. armament could not be expected until the late summer of 1941, reaching "avalanche proportions" next winter.

Sir Walter, former member of the League of Nations consultative economic committee and a delegate to the 1927 World Economic Conference, said America's participation in the fight to "overwhelm Germany" made the term "non-belligerent" rather

than "neutral" applicable to the United States.

All plans for U.S. aid to Britain, he said, must be made on the assumption that the non-belligerent status of the United States will not alter in the next six months.

He told the press that U.S. war department orders had been placed between July and October, 1940, and indicated it would "take a long time" for these and the British orders to mature.

"America entered the World War in April, 1917, yet the full weight of her armaments program was not felt until the winter of 1919," he commented.

He said the United States did not "realize fully the scale of armament necessary for the defeat of Germany."

As yet, he said, "no orders have been placed on the scale ultimately required for victory."

## GAUGES FEELINGS

Sir Walter, who has just re-

turned from a mission to the United States, said American sentiment against sending troops abroad to fight was "very deep," partly from humanitarian reasons and partly because many Americans felt the United States would be mixing in European affairs in which the nation had no interest.

Negotiations for the Ministry of Supply, he said, had led to the "financial problem," with which Lord Lothian, British ambassador to Washington, was wrestling when he died.

Lord Lothian passed away, Sir Walter said, in the belief Great Britain and the United States had "one strategy" in the war. The speaker reported the ambassador aimed his final speech at countering a feeling of depression in the United States over the German bombing of Coventry and other cities.

Sir Walter said this depression had been "diminished" by British successes in the Middle East and Greek victories in Albania.

Three torpedoes were used to sink the freighter.

One of the four boats passed close to the submarine after it had risen to the surface. An officer, speaking good English, asked the ship's name. The British seamen, expecting to be machine-gunned, were thankful when allowed to row away.

## ROWED FOUR DAYS

The 15 men who arrived here lost contact with the three other boats. After four days of hardship, sailing and rowing, they were picked up 22 days ago by the French vessel.

Once they saw an unidentified life-boat with half-naked men toiling at the oars, but these seamen did not answer a hail.

The men were bright and cheery on arrival here.

"What I minded most losing," said one, "was some stores of sugar and tea I was taking home to my mother in England."

# 15 Ship Survivors Land in East Canada

AN EAST COAST CANADIAN PORT (CP)—Fifteen survivors of the torpedoed British freighter Aracataca have been landed at this port, it was revealed today, but nothing has been learned here regarding the fate of the 49 other crewmen in three lifeboats. The survivors reached port yesterday.

The torpedoing by a submarine was done 700 miles west of Ireland 26 days ago. All aboard the freighter hailed from the United Kingdom.

## RESCUED BY FRENCH

The 15 men were in one boat

picked up four days later by a French vessel sailing under the "free" colors of General de Gaulle. They suffered trench fever from the salt water. One seaman was taken to a hospital here with a hand injury and another, suffering malaria at the time of the submarine attack, was still feeling the effects of exposure.

The Aracataca, 5,378 tons, was en route from Jamaica when torpedoed at 9.30 p.m. Some of the seamen were in bed. Scantily clothed, they hastily took to four lifeboats. One man wore only pyjamas in the bitter north Atlantic weather and another had nothing but bedroom slippers on

## Revival in Henry George's Teachings

NEW YORK—Time was when people shook their heads knowingly and said Henry George's famous single-tax movement was dead. Reborn during the depression, it is very much alive today, seeking converts to the age-old theory that all men have an equal right to the use of the earth, to the principle that all taxes except land rent should be abolished.

Sixty years ago in his book Progress and Poverty, Henry George stated his thesis more clearly than it has ever been stated before or since. In 1932, a businessman named Oscar Geiger revived it, founded the Henry George School of Social Science. He died in 1934 and his associates carried on with bulky, non-pedagogical Frank Chodorov, for 25 years a single-tax enthusiast, at the helm.

The Henry George school now owns its five-story, \$50,000 building of grimy brick at 30 E. 29th Street. It has assets of \$204,000, liabilities of \$285. It has 89 un-



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## Canadian Corps Warmly Welcomed

WITH THE CANADIAN ARMY SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND (CP)—News of formation of a Canadian corps under the command of Lt.-Gen. A. G. L. McNaughton was conveyed to the troops in a laconic routine order and was received with unrestrained enthusiasm by everyone from generals to privates.

The historic announcement was contained in a 60-word routine order which read: "Effective from 1 a.m. Christmas Day, a Canadian corps is constituted to comprise the two Canadian divisions overseas and Canadian nondivisional units in the United Kingdom. In addition the Canadian corps includes certain British armored units and other formations, all under the command of the Canadian corps."

Gen. McNaughton informed the Canadian Press of the news at his home in the corps area. He was looking extremely fit and was obviously highly pleased at the decision to combine all Canadian troops in the United Kingdom into a corps.

(In Canada news of formation of the corps was given by Prime Minister Mackenzie King in a statement issued in Ottawa.) The decision brings the 2nd Division into the corps, of which the 1st Division has been part for some months.

Maj.-Gen. Victor Odlum, commander of the 2nd Division, said: "I think the three most important Canadian events of the present war have been: 1. The decision to participate in the war; 2. The sending of troops overseas; 3. The formation of the Canadian Corps. I definitely welcome formation of the corps."

"The whole division is delighted at its inclusion in formation with the 1st Division and other units," he added.

## C.C.F. ATTACKS BACON PRICE CUT

EDMONTON (CP)—Henry G. Young of Millet, president of the Alberta general membership section of the Cooperative Commonwealth Federation, in a prepared statement released here, said the C.C.F. views with grave concern the principles involved in the new bacon agreement and the application of compulsory grading of hogs and called for the resignation of Hon. J. G. Gardiner, federal Minister of Agriculture, "whom we believe primarily to blame for this deplorable condition."

The statement said "the reduction of \$2.19 per cwt. on all bacon exported means a disastrous reduction in the returns to bacon producers. At this time, when taxes have been largely increased and costs of all kinds are rising steadily, this reduction amounts to rank discrimination against bacon producers."

In comparing prices over a term of years the statement said the average basic price at Edmonton stockyards from 1918 to 1939 inclusive, was \$10.29 per cwt. liveweight. "According to the bacon board agreement a price of \$7. per cwt. at Edmonton should be possible, but cannot be guaranteed," it stated.

"The new agreement means at best a reduction of at least \$3.29 per cwt. or about 30 per cent below the long term average, which includes all the depression years," the president's statement continued.

"The C.C.F. believes that in any negotiations involving the price of a product, the producers thereof should be consulted. This elementary principle of justice was violated by the federal minister of agriculture in negotiating the new bacon agreement."

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# 'Our Feet Planted on Path Of Victory'—King George

LONDON (AP)—The text of the Christmas message King George broadcast to the Empire follows:

In days of peace, the feast of Christmas is a time when we all gather together in our homes young and old, to enjoy the happy festivity and good will which our Christmas message brings. It is above all the children's day, and I am sure that we shall all do our best to make it a happy one for them, wherever they may be.

War brings, among other sorrows, the sadness of separation. There are many men in the forces away from their homes today, because they must stand ready and alert to resist an invader, should he dare to come, or because they are guarding the dark seas, or pursuing the beaten foe in the Libyan desert.

## Children Abroad Remembered

Many family circles are broken. Children from English homes are today in Canada, Australia, New Zealand and South Africa. For not only has the manhood of the whole British Commonwealth rallied once more to the aid of the Mother Country in her hour of need, but the peoples of the Empire have eagerly thrown open the doors of their homes to our children so that they may be spared from the strain and danger of modern war.

And in the United States also, where we find so many generous and loyal friends and organizations to give us unstinted help, warm-hearted people are keeping and caring for many of our children till the war is over.

## 'May New Year Carry Us to Happier Days'

To all of them, at home and abroad, who are separated from their fathers and mothers, to their kind friends and hosts, and to all who love them, and to parents who will be lonely without them, from all in our dear island, I wish every happiness that Christmas can bring. May the new year carry us toward victory and to happier Christmas days when everyone will be at home together in the years to come.

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To the older people here and throughout the world I would say: in the last Great War the flower of our youth was destroyed and the rest of the people saw but little of the battle. This time we are all in the front line and the danger together, and I know that the older among us are proud that it should be so.

## Unity Springs From Perils

Remember this. If war brings its separations it brings new unity also, the unity which comes from common perils and common sufferings willingly shared. To be good comrades and good neighbors in the trouble is one of the finest opportunities of the civilian population. And by facing hardship and discomfort cheerfully and resolutely not only do they do their own duty but they play their part in helping the fighting services to win the war.

Time and again during the last few months I have seen for myself the battered towns and cities of England and I have seen the British people facing this ordeal. I can say to them all that they may be justly proud of their race and nation. On every side I have seen a new and splendid spirit of good fellowship springing up in adversity, a real desire to share burdens and resources alike.

## New Harmony Comes From Shared Suffering

Out of all this suffering there is growing a harmony which we must carry forward into the days to come when we have endured to the end and victory is ours.

Then, when Christmas Days are happy again and good will has come back to the world, we must hold fast to the spirit which binds us all together now. We shall need this spirit in each of our own lives as men and women and shall need it even more among the nations of the world.

We must go on thinking less about ourselves and more for one another; for so, and so only, can we hope to make the world a better place and life a worthier thing. And now I wish you all a happy Christmas and a happier New Year. We may look forward to

## Paying For the War

# New Income Taxes Hit Pockets Hard

The people of Canada must dig deep into their pockets to pay for the war and the budget plan for paying income taxes, starting next month, is designed to make the payments as painless as possible.

Wage-earners are already paying the 2 per cent national defence tax, but the new income taxes payable on 1940 incomes will touch people who have never paid income tax before, and in some cases will increase the taxes paid by others eight and ten-fold.

The scope of the taxable class is widened by dropping the exemption from \$2,000 to \$1,000 for married men and from \$1,500 to \$750 for single men. Exemption for dependents remains at \$400.

The tax rate on the first \$250 of taxable income is 6 per cent. The old rate started at 3 per cent on the first \$1,000.

From there up the rate increases sharply. On the next \$750 the rate is 8 per cent. The second \$1,000 of taxable income is taxed 12 per cent, the third \$1,000 16 per cent, the fourth 20 per cent and the fifth 24 per cent. It jumps up for each succeeding \$1,000 until the man who might have a \$500,000 income pays 78 per cent.

## HOW IT WORKS

To illustrate how the tax works here are a few examples:

1. A single man or woman earning \$1,500. Previously he paid no federal income tax. Now he will pay \$35.

2. A married man earning \$2,000, no children. Previously he paid no tax. Now he will pay \$75.

3. A married man earning \$3,000, with two children. Previously he paid \$6. Now he will pay \$99.

4. Single man earning \$4,000. Previously he paid \$95. Now he will pay \$405.

5. Married man with \$5,000 income, three children. Previously he paid \$62. Now he will pay \$323.

## TO EASE PAYMENT

Details of the new budget plans for income tax payments have been completed by the National Revenue Department at

Ottawa. The plan will come into effect next month, and in order to take advantage of it taxpayers must make their first payment by January 31.

It offers two alternative budgets whereby income tax may be paid over a period of eight months without interest.

The first provides for eight equal instalments payable at the end of each month from January to August, and has the advantage of simplicity in addition to avoiding heavier payments toward the end of the period.

Under the second, which represents the minimum requirement for interest-free budgeting, one-twelfth of the total tax is payable at the end of each month for the first four months, and one-sixth at the end of each of the subsequent four months.

The new scheme has been set up in recognition of the fact that the increased taxes on 1940 income will present difficulties for the private citizen unless he is able to meet them in easy stages. To cushion the burden of taxes that have been doubled, and trebled in many cases, it was decided to spread out the instalments over twice the ordinary period and at the same time dispense with the interest of 5 per cent that is normally charged on deferred income tax payments.

An exact calculation of the tax is not required. The taxpayer is asked to estimate the amount of his tax as closely as possible in January and make his payments on that basis. If he has underestimated it, the difference will be due in the ordinary way on April 30, with 5 per cent interest after that date.

The whole plan is voluntary. In order to make the budget plan workable, the department emphasized that instalments must be kept up to date. Anyone falling behind in his payments will be required to pay interest after April 30.

Although we see only one side of the moon, we are able to see all sides of the sun. The sun rotates once in each 25-day period.

The average length of a lion's life is 40 years.

the New Year with sober confidence.

We have surmounted a grave crisis. We do not under-rate the dangers and difficulties which confront us still. But we take courage and comfort from the successes which our fighting men and their allies have won at heavy odds by land and air and sea.

The future will be hard. But our feet are planted on the path of victory, and with the help of God we shall make our way to justice and to peace.

## King Pays Tribute To Merchant Fleet

In a special greeting to Britain's merchant sailors and fishermen, the King said:

This second wartime Christmas finds the members of the British merchant navy and fishing fleets pursuing their calling through the seven seas, and I wish to send them a personal greeting.

You were the first of our civil population to suffer the merciless attacks of the enemy. You have carried on undaunted, maintaining the vital supplies of the Empire. Your courage and daring have been an inspiration to your fellow countrymen, who are now facing the same brutal assault.

In their name I thank you, and I send you all the best wishes for Christmas and a good landfall.

## Australians Laud Canadian Effort

SYDNEY (CP Cable)—Australian newspapers continue to give attention to the development of Canada's war effort.

The Morning Herald, in addition to an editorial warmly commending Canada's announcement of an army corps in Britain, has a special article today detailing extensions of munitions manufacturing and aircraft building facilities.

Its editorial says that Canada has made striking progress in providing men, munitions, equipment, ships and aircraft to the limits of her productive capacity and that Canada's progress is an inspiration to Australia, a spur to the United States, and a solid encouragement to Britain that must raise a new cloud on Hitler's horizon.

## Traffic Death

WINNIPEG (CP)—Fred Drysdale of Yorkton, Sask., was fatally injured when a motor truck in which he was a passenger collided with another truck in suburban St. Vital. He died in a hospital yesterday.

The Irish wolfhound is the largest of all dogs. When standing on its hind legs it is taller than a man.

Last year the average person ate about 100 pounds less food than in 1900, health experts report.

## Canadian Soldiers Overseas Enjoy Christmas Events

WITH THE CANADIAN ARMY SOMEWHERE IN ENGLAND (CP)—Wealthy and humble of the United Kingdom opened their doors to Canada's sons on active service yesterday and thousands of troops enjoyed a robust Christmas dinner despite the need for unceasing vigil against the threat of invasion.

The Old Country folk outdid themselves in proffering hospitality, and a Christmas away from home that might have been dreary was transformed into one that will remain memorable. For those who could not take the time off from duty there were special dinners in the messes.

More than enough invitations to humble cottages and stately homes were received for all officers and men of the 1st Canadian Division who could be spared from duty. The 2nd Division, not so long in England, was not in a position to know so many English friends as the 1st, but they had special "does" in their own messes.

## FLIERS CELEBRATE

Canadian air fighters held their own dinners and at a station of the Royal Canadian Air Force army co-operation squadron officers waited on men and provided them with drinks and smoked out of their own pockets.

Canadian seamen serving in these waters had special spreads aboard warships or in homes of friends ashore.

Unfortunates, forced to spend

the day abed in Canadian military hospitals, received free gifts from the Canadian Red Cross and other institutions and partook of extra large portions of turkey.

## WAIT ON SOLDIERS

The entire staff of 30 men and girls in a store at a southern town gave up their holiday to entertain 500 Canadians. Dinner was served in the store's restaurant, with the civvies waiting at table and washing up afterwards. The staff contributed a Christmas bonus in cash to purchase smokes. The firm furnished free beer.

Clive Brook, noted screen actor, entertained 24 Canadians and New Zealanders at a country estate and put on a private showing of Charlie Chaplin's "The Great Dictator."

While scores of concerts were staged around camps by various Canadian auxiliary services, officers and men on leave in London found free full-course dinners and dances waiting for them at the Beaver Club, British Columbia House, the Canadian Legion and Salvation Army hostels. At some there was a "spot" of free beer or sherry.

A theatre near headquarters of the newly-formed Canadian corps was taken over for a show by professional talent arranged for officers and men of the headquarters staff by the corps camp commandant, Major R. J. Williams, Toronto.

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brothers and sweethearts in the armed forces overseas, exchanged greetings over the airwaves yesterday with the Dominion's troops in the United Kingdom.

Lieut.-Col. A. McNaughton, Maj.-Gen. Odlum and Maj.-Gen. Pearkes spoke for their men. Cmdr. Eustace Brock of Winnipeg spoke for the men of the navy.

And in addition to representatives of their "ain folk" in the Dominion, the men overseas heard from Prime Minister Mackenzie King, who reminded those in the forces they were crusaders, seeking to protect the flame of Christianity.

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## What Is Behind It?

WHAT DOES GERMANY PROPOSE TO do with the 300,000 troops, and all their paraphernalia, now reported to be on the move toward Rumania? This is a question uppermost in the minds of the statesmen in many capitals. One answer is that the move is part of the plan of tuition for Rumanian soldiery which had been agreed upon by the German high command and Premier Ion Antonescu after the general political domination of former King Carol's realm had been established—one of the early sequels to the abdication. Not many people will be fooled by this explanation, if it is expected to serve as such, for the reason that the "invasion" of the vassal state synchronizes strangely with the progress of events in Albania and the Libyan desert. It is naturally embarrassing for Hitler to be obliged to emphasize in this way the sorry plight of his junior partner, but the fact which has been obvious since the Greek armies showed themselves more than a match for Mussolini's legions must have impressed him with the necessity to try to save totalitarian "face."

Comment on this latest development must necessarily be highly speculative. There are three question marks standing out clearer now than for some time past: What is the condition of the relations between Russia and Germany? How far is the Vichy government hindering Hitler in such plans as he may have for strengthening his position in the actual western theatre of war and for its potential expansion southwards? If the Nazi high command strikes at Greece, either through Yugoslavia or Bulgaria, what will General Maxime Weygand do with his substantial French colonial armies? If it is revealed that a showdown between Berlin and Moscow is near, the whole of the Balkans may soon burst into flames. Of special significance and importance in that case, of course, would be the disposition of the remains of the French navy, the role that Weygand might play with the issue more clearly drawn. And it is reasonable to suppose that the ships flying the white ensign in the Mediterranean would probably take some of the "risks" of which Mr. Churchill spoke the other day and try to settle accounts with the Italian fleet. All of this, however, must await events. Be it remembered, incidentally, that Germany needs oil. Oil lies in Iran and Iraq. Yet again, can even the military might Hitler commands afford a war on two fronts?

## Cabinet Moves

WITH ONE OR TWO RELATIVELY UNimportant exceptions, the press of the United States has welcomed the appointment of Viscount Halifax to succeed the late Lord Lothian as British ambassador to Washington. The people of Great Britain as a whole also seem to consider the translation of the former Foreign Secretary as a good move in more ways than one, partly because it is a compliment to the Republic on the south of us that such a significant precedent should be established—that of a senior minister exchanging high cabinet rank for even the most important diplomatic post within the gift of the government at Westminster—and partly because it has enabled Mr. Churchill to return to Mr. Eden the portfolio he resigned 34 months ago in protest against the foreign policy of the Chamberlain regime. In accordance with modern parliamentary tradition, moreover, the Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs again will be accessible to the House of Commons—one, incidentally, who is in harmonious accord with the Prime Minister and practically all his colleagues. Noteworthy, too, in the ministerial rearrangement was Mr. Churchill's selection of Viscount Cranborne to speak for the Foreign Office in the Upper Chamber. He was under-secretary to Mr. Eden and revolted with his chief in the February of 1938.

Some United States commentators do not profess to understand just why Mr. Hon. Captain David Margesson's job as chief Conservative Whip for many years entitled him to elevation from relative obscurity to the exalted position of Secretary of State for War, rendered vacant by Mr. Eden's removal to the Foreign Office. But Captain Margesson was in a prominent party position; indeed, his management of the government's parliamentary machinery had been of such a competent nature since he was vested with its control following the "crisis" election in 1931 that Mr. Lloyd George—after 50 years in the House—on one occasion named him the most efficient Chief Whip in his experience. Another tribute classifies him thus: "The captain applies to the House of Commons Old School Tie Brigade the methods of a public school if one of the 'boys' has erred, or strayed into the wrong lobby, the rest of them will quickly be notified that the fellow is a bit of an outsider; and the friends of outsiders, in the public school code, are, of course, to be regarded as outsiders themselves." The Chief Whip, it must be remembered, too, is the man who makes it possible for a government supporter to "catch the Speaker's eye." It is the responsibility of this official also to test the "atmosphere" of the House, to find out how this or that measure will "go over"—if and when the

cabinet is inclined to give it the green light. In other words, and with the Conservatives dominating the Commons with a following of more than 380 members out of 615, he was a most important party factor.

Captain Margesson has made only one party mistake. It is no longer a secret that he assured Mr. Chamberlain the vote which changed the Premiership last May would not be seriously hostile. It was; but the new War Secretary's claim to preferment was still valid as Mr. Churchill—his leader and leader of the Conservative party since last October—considered the ministerial change occasioned by the death of Lord Lothian. The high-ranking anti-appeaser, the man after the Prime Minister's own heart, went to the Foreign Office; his former colleague and equally anti-totalitarian in outlook and action became authorized spokesman for Mr. Eden's department in the House of Lords. Here was distinct progress in the removal of those elements from the cabinet which belonged to the original Chamberlain school. But Mr. Churchill was and still is the leader of the Conservative party with its overwhelming majority in the purely political strength of the Commons. His responsibility in this connection bespoke some consideration for the man who had served that party with distinction for so many years. Hence, the War Office, with its recognized enthusiasm generated by Mr. Eden, and not likely to deteriorate, went to the Rt. Hon. Captain David Margesson, for loyal service to the majority which for the time being dominates Parliament. That is the only significance in the appointment. The inevitable cabinet changes, however, leave Mr. Churchill immeasurably stronger in administrative authority.

## In 32 Years

ORVILLE WRIGHT, ONE OF THE Wright Brothers, made his first flight on December 17, 1903. That date has gone down in history as the moment when man learned to fly in power-driven machines. Looking at the commercial and war planes today, their speed, capacity and refinements, it is difficult to realize that the development represented has come about in less than 40 years.

The anniversary last week was proclaimed Pan-American Aviation Day by President Roosevelt. In Toronto the Flying Club held a dinner, at which the honored guest was Mr. J. A. D. McCurdy, who made the first successful flight in Canada in 1909, only 10 years after the first motor cars appeared in Canada. His achievement has been of particular interest to Victorians as he is the son of the late Mr. A. W. McCurdy of this city. Mr. McCurdy organized the first flying schools in Canada. These were at Toronto Island and at Long Branch. Through these schools passed many of the Canadians who made names for themselves in the air in the last war, such as Ray Collishaw, Bob Leckie and Tom Copley.

Today, we have airports from coast to coast, overnight passenger service across the country, and training flights springing up under the Empire Air Training Scheme to turn out pilots at an eventual rate of 25,000 a year, to constitute the determining factor in the fight to save our civilization. Yet it is not quite 32 years since Mr. J. A. D. McCurdy made his first flight in Canada with a power-propelled, heavier-than-air machine.

## Hemisphere Defences

EIGHT UNITED STATES GEOLOGISTS will be hard at work all this winter in Latin-American countries studying possible new sources of minerals vital to hemisphere defence. One will make a three-months' study of Brazil's manganese; others will survey chromite and manganese in Cuba; tin, tungsten and antimony in Bolivia. The results of their studies will be available to agencies of the United States government in negotiating to aid new industrial developments. In many of these countries there are known to be untapped deposits of vital minerals. Their development will be a prosperity factor for the countries concerned, and a safety factor for the United States and all the western hemisphere. Spending \$25,000 on this investigation is likely to repay itself many times in assuring that development is undertaken only in fields where it is worth while, and in discovery of new possibilities for defence of the western world with its own resources.

Marshal Rodolfo Graziani's report to Mussolini of the operations in Egypt and Libya is one of the most astounding documents in military history. But "glorious defeats" are little use as propaganda for a dictator about to carve additions for a new empire.

## HOW MUCH?

From Windsor Star  
We in Canada today worry a bit about what is going on beyond the seas. We talk of the sublime courage of the British. We anxiously scan the newspapers for news of the latest bombing raids. We talk of home defence, but not one of us, deep down in his heart, thinks that it will ever really be needed. We do not believe that we shall have to defend our shores and our homes.

It is about time we started to think of it. It is about time we started to do something about it. It is time this country got into the war.

We are not in it yet. Aside from some thousands of our men who have enlisted, and their close relatives, there is not one of us who has felt the slightest difference in his daily life because the British Empire is battling for its very existence. We talk a lot about what we are doing. We speak glibly of high taxes, of industrial activity, of the war supplies that are being turned out. Actually, how much has it cost us, and how much are we doing with our great industrial resources? Not much more than we would have to do if Switzerland or Mexico decided to attack us.

# Dorothy Thompson

CONCEPT  
IN THE MUNDANE SENSE, the essential concept of the Christian era is that we are all members one of another; and that there is a universal humanity. The fact that we have never given more than Sunday-service to this ideal does not eliminate it. Even the Sunday service given in the west to the Christian ethic has created one of the few inhibitions against mutual annihilation under jungle law.

The Nazis are against the Christian ethic. It cramps their style, and they make a hierarchy of humanity from sub-humans to humans to masters. To all Jews they deny any humanity at all; to all Poles they grant the sub-humanity of slavery, and so forth. And we are asked to believe that any Wolfgang Schmidt with peroxidized hair and a Pomeranian pedigree howling Seig Heils in the physics class is a greater man than Einstein, and that any pure-blooded Teutonic composer of the last Nazi marching song is a greater man than Chopin. Once all civilized men would snort; today too many of us don't.

## NIHILISM

NOT ONLY IS the concept un-Christian but it is profoundly uncivilized. The essence of humanistic culture is that men—or that part of them that justify the now somewhat doubtful theory that man has been made a little higher than the animals—are thinking creatures, possessed also of sensibility and intuition and the power to reason, and by means of these, plus experience, and conscience, to control themselves and the world around them.

Not according to the Nazis. Thinking is "intellectualism" not at all in vogue in the Third Reich. De facto it is not de jure, not only are the modern skeptics banned, but so are Aristotle, the New Testament, St. Thomas Aquinas, Montesquieu, the theory of relativity, Adam Smith and Abraham Lincoln—just to pick at random; while de jure if not de facto, so are the discoverers of salvarsan and the cause of puerperal fever. This assault on all the values of the past is called revolution. It is not. It is nihilism.

## RENOIR VS. HITLER

OUR COMMUNIST BRETHREN, with the repetition of the idee fixe, keep on howling about "the imperialist war," and Yale students, who are much more willing to listen to Colonel Lindbergh than read St. Thomas Aquinas or the politics of Aristotle as aids to a larger view of the issues at stake, come to terms with the idea that an "epoch is finished." It certainly is. But the end of an epoch ought not to mean the end of a world. And what Britain is fighting for is simply for a world, regardless of how changed and reorganized, that can be justified in reason and humanity. It may seem quixotic to be willing to die for the right of our children to read Lincoln and believe that he surpasses Goering in political wisdom.

It may seem ridiculously reactionary to be willing to die for the idea that the 13th chapter of First Corinthians is better than the second chapter of "Mein Kampf."

It may seem simply idiotic to risk one's life for the thesis that Renoir is a better painter than Hitler himself.

But I, personally, cannot think of anything better worth fighting for and dying for. The gamut of what the Nazis have happens to include everything our ancestors ever did to justify their lives, and everything we can think of handing on to our children, as background for a personal and social philosophy. I don't expect my boy to inherit an income, but I would like him to inherit a library uncensored by Dr. Goebbels.

## EXTERMINATION

AND I AM NOT prepared to lift a finger to make it easier for these fellows. The wretchedness of Europe is not due to lost wars; it is due to policy.

The Nazis did not herd 300,000 people into the space of 100 city blocks in Warsaw and build a concrete wall around them because there was a food and shelter shortage. They did it because they wish to exterminate these people.

If any one can devise a way whereby food may become an instrument of rebellion I'll join the movement for food relief to the invaded countries. But you know and I know that if relief should bolster in any way the morale of the subjugated peoples against their subjugators the Nazis would shut it down. They know as well as we do that food could be a weapon for democracy, but they will make that weapon ineffective. And if we should choose to use it as such we would be engaging in direct and revolutionary intervention all over Europe on a grand scale.

But there is no such proposal. Again I say what is proposed is a trade deal.

The only thing we can do for the subject peoples is to do what we must do for ourselves—arm, arm, arm speedily, efficiently, sacrificially and back up Britain in every way; first, in her all-out effort to break the Nazi drive for a worldwide master-hegemony, and second, in a program to establish a real new order based on the cooperative use of all resources, once the Nazi program has been halted.

We should begin thinking about that new order, knowing that there is not going to be any easy way out, and certainly no way out by which we shall make money.

## Parallels Thoughts

Let brotherly love continue. Be not forgetful to entertain strangers: for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.—Hebrews 13:12.

An effort made for the happiness of others lifts above ourselves.—L. M. Child.

# Elmore Philpott

EDEN TO EDEN  
THE SIGNIFICANCE of the return to the Foreign Office of Anthony Eden is not so much that it portends a swing to a new policy as that it shuts and bolts the door against a return to the old.

Looking back now it is one of the grimmest jokes in history that Eden was virtually dismissed from his first term in the Foreign Office because Mussolini had let it be known that Italian Fascism would never come to terms with Britain as long as Eden sat in the Foreign Minister's chair. His followers of the future may devote a lot of space to explaining just how it happened that Britain should have listened to such astounding impertinence. For, besides being based on the most putrid of ethical foundations, it was also built on gigantic bluff.

Britain could have smashed to smithereens Mussolini's bluff at any time she chose between 1935 and 1938. Because she failed to do so the totalitarian menace grew on the rolling snowball principle of compound interest, till the world had to fight not only Italy or Germany or Japan singly but all three together.

## LAST AWFUL WHISPER

Remember what we were told in 1935 when Mussolini had at last taken the plunge into the Ethiopian invasion? We were told that if we stood firm and applied the economic embargo against Italy, in accordance with our specific pledges, that Italy would declare outright war on us—and that would be disastrous. It was whispered that Italy had a new variety of mosquito craft which in some mysterious manner was going to sink the British battle fleet in a matter of minutes. We were told that Italian airplanes were in a position to bomb and sink the whole British fleet, even if the mosquito scooters failed to do so. We were told all sorts of weird and fantastic yarns. And when all else failed—when the Roman bluff was pretty well exposed on a basis of common sense—we heard the last awful whisper.

What was that last awful whisper? It was that if Italy had to go to war she would be beaten; and that if she were beaten she would probably go Communist.

When people who were not blinded by the hysteria created by that whisper retorted that there was a very simple and easy way to forestall all these consequences, so alarming to so many people—that was simply for Italy to call off her expedition to steal Ethiopia Anthony Eden is supposed to have casually remarked:

## IMPERIALISM

Lionel M. Gelber in the University of Toronto Quarterly

Among the paradoxes of debate upon the war, few have been more odd than the tacit assumption of friend and foe alike that to call it a struggle between rival imperialisms was to belittle the Allied cause. Yet, as with the conflict of 1914-18, that is a perfectly accurate description. For there is nothing irredeemably sinister in modern imperialism, unless you make it so. It all depends on whose imperialism you are talking about. If German imperialism is finally victorious that will be horrible; if the imperialism triumphs which bred the concept of the British Commonwealth of Nations, mankind may breathe easily once again. A victory for Italian imperialism would be execrable; the reinforcement of that imperialism which, since the turn of the century, has rendered the United States ever more capable of defending the Western Hemisphere will be applauded by level-headed, free men everywhere.

## THAT ALASKA HIGHWAY

Lawrence J. Burpee in Canadian Geographical Journal

There are many reasons why the Alaska Highway should someday be built, as a means of communication between the United States and Alaska, between British Columbia and the Yukon, and between southern and northern British Columbia; as a tourist route that would open up a very picturesque region, with unlimited possibilities of sports for the big-game hunter and the fisherman; and as a means of making accessible large and varied natural resources. As to the cost, the Canadian Commission has worked out some figures for both the "A" and the "B" routes, very approximate in the case of the former, data for which are not, at the present time, nearly as complete as for the latter. It is estimated that the total cost of the highway including improvement of the existing road, would range from \$23,500,000 to \$26,000,000, depending on the route that might finally be selected.

The earth travels 19 miles a second, and in its journey around the sun.

# IT WAS FALSE

It is worth recalling now that it was Pierre Laval, and his partner, Sir Samuel Hoare, who together made the deal which completely cut the ground from under the feet of Emperor Haile Selassie and the Ethiopians. We all now know where Laval stands—too treacherous a scoundrel even to be tolerated longer by the Vichy government. It is also worth recalling that in the grand scramble to escape from fulfilling our obligations under the League Covenant it was Canada—under the present King government—which repudiated the act of our representative at Geneva, Dr. Riddell, and led the safety-firsts' flight.

All that Britain need have done in 1935 was to stand firm on her specific pledges. If Mussolini had been so insane as to go ahead with his war in Ethiopia the Suez Canal could have been shut and locked behind him with almost ridiculous ease. If there had been any fighting—a possibility which seems positively ludicrous in the view of the recent flights on the sea, in Albania, and in Libya, overwhelming advantages would have been ours.

We would not have had to fight Mussolini with a small fraction of our navy—whilst we were simultaneously engaged in a terrible life-and-death struggle with Hitler.

## PRICE OF APEASEMENT

Among the most infantile ideas held in the days of "appeasement" was that the price of such a policy of retreat would be paid either by our poor relations, like Haile Selassie and Czechoslovakia; or in the coin of our own colonial property. History, between Eden's exit from and return to the Foreign Office has written its own verdict on that fallacy.

The price of appeasement is now being paid—not by the great ones of the earth who thought to save their social positions or treasure—but by ordinary folk like those of Coventry, London and Liverpool—and the sailors who are trying to hold the life-line of the North Atlantic in the face of the deadliest attacks in history.

That fact is of appalling importance—especially for the ordinary people of the United States. For all of the appeasement forces are operating there now.

## BRUCE AND APPLES

To the Editor:—It is always delightful to see an economist like Mr. Bruce Hutchison taking his illustrations from actual life; it is so unlike the unorthodox economist who insists his system ought to work regardless of the fact that it does not.

When, therefore, Mr. Hutchison tells us of Mr. Tilley and his apples it is refreshing. The last time he mentioned apples concerned an orchard in the Okanagan where "from 10 acres will get \$800, or from a larger orchard of 20 acres \$1,600."

As a realist (or is he surrealist?) Mr. Hutchison might like to tell us why it is that we have all been educated to think that goods are money, and that the production of goods necessarily involves the issue of money to buy them; that goods can take the place of money, and that money debts can be settled in goods, as equivalent to, or being able to take the place of money. An illustration of this was afforded at an Ottawa meeting whose proceedings were somewhat as follows:

"Will you tell us," asked a farmer member, addressing the banker, "where all the interest comes from? We know that banks lend only capital, but demand both capital and interest. Isn't nearly all our money made up of loans due back to the banks?"

"It is all very simple," replied the banker. "What the people must do is to work harder and create more goods."

"But goods are not interest?" queried the farmer.

Sensing a hitch, another member offered a solution obtained, he said, from a bank circular. "It is just like this," he said. "With capital you buy a cow, and what you get out of the cow is the interest."

The farmer scratched his head. "Something funny here. I've been handling cows for years and all I've got out of a cow is milk." "Can you," he said, turning to the banker, "produce milk from your bank? If not, why do you expect a farmer to produce money from a cow?"

There being apparently no adequate reply to this, the farmer suggested they might enter in the proceedings the obvious conclusion that what really did happen was that the banks milked the public.

ETHEL SEYMOUR.

## \$65 A MONTH

To the Editor:—It is very fine of your excellent newspaper, the Victoria Daily Times, to give publicity so extensively in the matter of the shabby way the temporary wartime clerks are being treated at the Naval Dockyard, Esquimaux, by the Dominion government, Ottawa, in paying said male clerks a miserable wage on which they can scarcely exist—\$55 monthly. Think of paying experienced men such a contemptible sum.

The informed, intelligent average citizen cannot help but conclude from the matter above that the Dominion government can and does show discrimination, and that men of sufficient human understanding and intelligence equal to the adjusting of so simple a matter as the paying of a decent wage to its employees, say, \$100 a month, are certainly not in the government body. That being true, how can the said average citizen have any confidence in the ability of this august government body to solve, adjust or use foresight in other matters of national importance in these war days? A naval dockyard or other government establishment is certainly not the place to have dissatisfaction among employees during wartime because of insufficient pay. The truth of that simply cannot be denied.

Comparisons can be made among the many governmental departments that will show that no saving is being effected at all in chiseling the salary of these temporary wartime clerks in the Naval Dockyard, Esquimaux, down to such a despicable level, when other governmental groups are compared fairly with this group. It goes without saying that a man who feels that he is being fairly treated is more apt to be a better worker than the one who knows he is not.

P. A. MERTON.  
Burnside Road.

## 'SOUTHERN CROSS' AGAIN

To the Editor:—Near the end of a dispatch headed, "Richard Duke and Communists Lead Negotiated Peace Drive," reference is made to the Duke of Windsor's choice of Axel Wenner-Gren's yacht (Southern Cross) for the trip to Miami, and in the meantime "it is causing raised eyebrows in London regardless of the reason which may be officially given for the choice."

"Wenner-Gren was formerly a great friend of Marshal Goering and has served as his emissary." I am sure British Columbians would like to know whether Wenner-Gren is the same person who entertained Canadian naval men last summer on an extensive tour of northern British Columbia waters on his yacht the Southern Cross, after he was forbidden permission to cruise Alaskan waters by the U.S. government with his yacht.

I am sure the public has a right to know if "Wenner-Gren is still trying to persuade the British Goering is a moderate man with reasonable demands," under the guise of a Trojan Dove.

J. JONES.  
Powell River, B.C.

## FOR THE ICE RINK

"To the Editor:—In a letter, a well-known rider and horse owner objects to installing an ice plant in the Horse Show Building. This project has been under careful consideration for some time. (The government and city spent \$50,000 on this building, according to Mr. Shanks, so that possibly 200 people could have a place to ride occasionally. Over 2,000 citizens actively supported the arena drive. Since that time a number of prairie troops have come to Victoria to swell the number anxious to skate.

Mr. Shanks says that the Horse Show Building would be unsuitable for watching hockey, but points out that the Riding Club makes several hundred dollars from two or three performances during the year. Certainly Canada's most popular sport might be expected to draw better crowds than an organization representing so few. Actually several of the pillars could be removed without too great expense, but up to the present the financial return on the building has been so meagre that any such move was not considered.

While Victoria is waiting for the final building which everyone seems to advocate, the equipment will be in use and giving much-needed healthful recreation to troops and citizens alike. During the summer months the pipes can be covered and the building used for horse shows or any other functions as always.

GEORGE CAMERON.  
1320 Purcell Place.

## NO CHARGE

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## LIBERTIES MUST BE GUARDED

To the Editor:—Any prosecution in a democratic country based on opinion necessarily arouses interest and protest outside. As representative Americans, wholly unconcerned with partisanship, we note with great regret the conviction during the early part of October of Wilfred Ravenor, proprietor of the New Age book shop at Vancouver.

We understand that the sole evidence in the trial consisted of books and pamphlets by Communist authors, most of them available in any well-stocked public library. That such standard books can be construed as subversive in wartime flies in the face of all Anglo-Saxon tradition.

Such a prosecution in England today would be quite unthinkable. The Communist party there operates openly and freely; its daily paper is published uncensored; its publications circulate freely. If Britain, in the midst of dangers so much greater, can afford that freedom, it is obvious that Canada, fighting also for democracy, cannot afford to sacrifice it.

All of us on the democratic front have a common obligation to defend our historic liberties. It is for that reason that the International Committee for Political Prisoners is supporting the pending appeal taken by Mr. Ravenor's counsel. The defence of democracy in Canada, as here, demands the utmost vigilance and effort to defend the liberties indispensable to democracy.

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From Los Angeles Times

The first scratch on the toe of a new shoe or the paint of a new car is always the biggest, no matter how small.

## NO COMPLIMENT TO TANK CORPS

From Louisville Times

If the worst comes, a use for the road hog might be found, for he ought to be the very fellow to drive an 80-ton tank.

## Better English

1. What is wrong with this sentence? "I was too excited to answer."  
2. What is the correct pronunciation of "horrid"?  
3. Which one of these words is misspelled? . . . Anesthetic, chloroform, hors d'oeuvre.  
4. What does the word "hedonism" mean?  
5. What is a word beginning with le that means "trifling gaiety"?

Answers  
1. Say, "I was too much excited to answer." 2. Pronounce the o as in of, not as in or. 3. Chloroform. 4. The doctrine that pleasure is the sole or chief good in life. (Pronounce first syllable he, and accent first syllable). 5. Levity.

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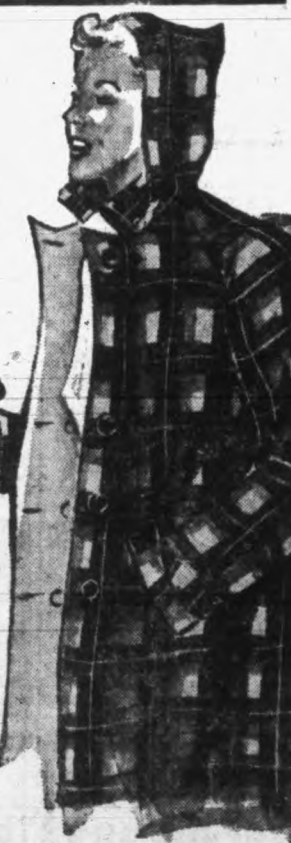
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## BARRACKS SWEEP BY FIRE

AN EAST COAST CANADIAN PORT (CP) — A preliminary check-up revealed one man, a naval rating, was burned to death, and 10 others injured, none seriously, in a fire which levelled three barrack buildings today during the early morning hours.

Because many ratings were absent on Christmas leave, authorities experienced difficulty in completing the investigation. The three barracks which were reduced to ruins by the blaze normally accommodated 1,000 men. Owing to Christmas leaves, they housed a smaller complement early this morning when the fire broke out. Fanned by a brisk north wind, the fire took only an hour and a half to level the three buildings,

two-story wooden structures. Naval ratings and firemen battled the flames together with amateur hosemen and bucket brigades working hand in hand with trained fighters. London's official regulations provide 400 questions, any or all of which a policeman may have to ask in case of a fatal road accident on his beat. The whipsnake of the desert can outdistance a man in the sand.

## Christmas Concert

Many parents and friends attended the Christmas concert given by the pupils at the Keating School at the Temperance Hall. After the closing item of the program, Santa Claus appeared to give presents from a prettily decorated tree. Receiving a bag of candy, each child was served a supper. Refreshments were given to all present. Capt. N. Gray, chairman of the

school board, was present.

The following is the program which was presented: School choir, The Lord's Prayer, O Canada, "Noel," "Silent Night." Piano selections, Norma Whiteley: Virginia Reel girls' div. 1; March of the Months, div. 2; choir, div. 1: "Kitty of Coleraine," "On the Banks of Allan Water," "Will Ye No Come Back Again," "Comin' Thro' the Rye." Recitation, Albert Hafer: Mechanical Toys, div. 2; a nigger

burlesque, "Wanted, a Boy," boys' div. 1; dance, "Looby Loo," div. 2; girls; song, "We Must All Stick Together," girls, div. 1; dance, eightsome reel, girls, div. 1; song, "Away in a Manger," div. 2; play, "The Sentimental Scarecrow," div. 1; girls; choir, "British Grenadiers," "There'll Always Be An England," God Save the King. Bees are kept in an apiary, which comes from "apis," meaning bee.

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## Crown Prince Olaf And Family at White House

WASHINGTON (AP)—Crown Prince Olaf and Princess Martha of Norway sat down to a typical American Christmas dinner and ate turkey carved by their host, President Roosevelt.

The royal refugees and their three children—Harold, three; Ragnhild, 10, and Astrid, eight—were last-minute guests at the White House.

Princess Martha and the youngsters have been living on a nearby Maryland estate since they came to this country after the German invasion of their homeland. Prince Olaf arrived Monday to spend Christmas with his family before going to Canada.

The Roosevelts invited the Norwegian youngsters "to come over and look at the tree" with the only two children spending Christmas at the White House this year—Frankie Roosevelt, two-year-old son of Franklin Jr., and Diana Hopkins, eight-year-old daughter of Harry Hopkins, former Secretary of Commerce.

During the day, the President and Mrs. Roosevelt, their family and guests attended services at the First Congregational Church.

## Starved to Death Eccentric Recluse

By D. E. BURRITT  
 Canadian Press Staff Writer  
 LONDON (CP)—Starvation has claimed the life of the "Witch" of Blackheath, a wealthy recluse whose partly-mummified body was found in her suburban home which no other person was ever seen to enter.

She had lived alone as Miss Brianna Margon Alice Heslop in a deserted-looking villa on Shooter's Hill Road and had become almost a mythical character. She appeared to have no friends and it was "three or four years ago" that neighbors last saw her strange little form moving behind the hedges of her garden.

Even before that, the 60-year-old woman was seen only at Christmas times, and she always was dressed in an old black hat and coat which gave her the appearance of a witch. She was never seen talking to anyone. Her gardener, Sam Vidler, said he had never spoken to her; that he got his pay by cheque and that whenever he knocked at the door there was no reply.

It was behind the seldom-opened door that police found the decomposed body, part of which was mummified, the doctor said. He was unable to say how long she had been dead nor could he say to what death could be directly attributed. It was known, however, the woman had lived only on biscuits and canned goods which had failed to provide her with sufficient nourishment, and the coroner decided death was due to "shock and heart failure as a result of improper dieting."

Money, bonds and stock shares were found in tins in the house, one of them near the body of Miss Heslop, who was believed to have inherited money from a wealthy relative whose death was reported in a newspaper clipping found among some banknotes. Vidler told the coroner his mistress always had kept the blinds drawn and "appeared to be eccentric." He said that "if you saw her at night you probably would have thought she was a witch."



RETURNS TO VICTORIA—Mrs. Howard Harman and her son, Bobbie, aged six and a half, who have joined Mr. Harman here to make their home again in Victoria after living in Vancouver for the last few years. Mrs. Harman is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Gibson, York Place.

## Social and Personal

Pte. Tommy Thrope, R.C.O.C., Toronto, is spending Christmas at his home at Langford.

Miss Verna Taylor, Vancouver, is spending the Christmas vacation with her father, Mr. J. Taylor, Strathglen, Langford.

Mr. Michael Oliver, Ucluelet, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Oliver, Atkins Road, Langford.

Mr. John Uthoff returned from the University of British Columbia to spend the Christmas vacation with his mother, Mrs. Ina D. D. Uthoff, 468 Beach Drive.

Miss Edna Patrick of Michel, B.C., is visiting at the home of her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Patrick, 2290 Woodlawn Crescent.

Mr. Garth Griffiths of the University of British Columbia is spending Christmas with his mother, Mrs. Louisa Griffiths, Selkirk Avenue.

Mr. Norman Ashley of South Slovan arrived in Victoria on Tuesday afternoon to spend Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Ashley, Balmoral Hotel.

Miss Edith Crocker of Vancouver will return to the mainland on tonight's boat after spending Christmas in Victoria with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Crocker, Clare Street.

Mr. Ian Drum arrived from Kingston, Ont., Christmas Eve to spend the Yuletide and New Year's holiday with his mother, Mrs. Lorne Drum, Lansdowne Road.

Miss Margery Benson arrived from Toronto at the weekend to spend several weeks, visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. H. D. Benson, The Esplanade, Oak Bay.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Boyes of Vancouver, with their son and daughter, David and Margaret, arrived yesterday to visit with Mrs. Boyes' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Moir, Cherry Bank, Langford Lake.

Miss Elra Charles, who is taking a medical technician course at St. Joseph's Hospital, left at the weekend for Winnipeg to spend her holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Charles.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Stelek of Old West Saanich Road, who have been visiting at their old home in Dauphin, Man., are spending the Christmas season in Winnipeg as the guests of their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald Stelek.

Lieut. and Mrs. Esson Young of Esquimalt, Lieut. J. A. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Ian McQueen and Mr. and Mrs. George Wheaton are among the Victoria alumnae of the University of British Columbia, who are in Vancouver for the holiday season and will attend the alumnae ball there tonight.

The Chiselers' Bridge Club held their meeting recently at the home of Mrs. Florrie Auchterlonie, Colville Road. Dainty refreshments were served and prizes were won by Miss Betty Lansdell and Mrs. Robert Stewart. Each member received a present from the gaily decorated Christmas tree. Members present were: Misses Irene Wallace, Emma Mitch, Peggy Merton, Betty Lansdell, Muriel Tolpitt, Mrs. Florrie Auchterlonie and Mrs. Robert Stewart. The guest of the evening was Miss Lil Bennett. The next meeting will be held January 8 at the home of Miss Peggy Merton, Hillside Avenue.

A merry crowd gathered at the Victoria Golf Club last night for Christmas dinner. The repeat was served in the dining-room, which was hung with festoons of greenery, poinsettias and other seasonal decorations, and chrysanthemums formed the floral centrepiece of the tables. Dancing was later enjoyed. About 70 were present, including Hon. John Hart and Mrs. Hart, Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Lennox, Miss Jean Lennox, Dr. and Mrs. W. T. Barrett, Dr. and Mrs. J. D. Hunter, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Todd, Miss Marjorie Todd, Dr. and Mrs. C. T. Bigelow, Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Ruggles, Miss Elizabeth Ruggles, Mr. and Mrs. Reid Paige Clark, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Henderson, Mr. and Mrs. W. Pangman, Mr. Douglas Pangman (Vancouver), Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Haynes, Col. and Mrs. R. A. Hughes, Miss Gloria Wilson, Mr. Elbeek Wilson, Miss Margaret Sutcliffe, Mr. Graham Verley and Mr. A. B. Crump.

Miss Phyllis Irish, whose marriage to Mr. J. L. Robinson will take place shortly, was the guest of honor when Miss Margaret Johnston, 245 Menzies Street, entertained at a miscellaneous shower. A corsage bouquet of pink rosebuds was given Miss Irish upon her arrival, and later a basket attractively decorated with pale pink crepe paper and filled with the pretty gifts was presented to her. The evening was spent with music, singing and games, for which Miss Dora Stocken won first prize and Mrs. Irish consolation. White chrysanthemums in a crystal bowl, lighted by pink tapers in silver holders, formed a charming centrepiece for the table from which the buffet supper was served. The guests were Mesdames A. E. Irish, L. Robinson, W. Holmes, E. Neuenfeldt, A. Johnston, and the Misses Lorna Irish, Lorna McDermid, Eileen Munroe, Elsie Fryatt, Dora Stocken, Annie Adamson, Edith Rundell, Lucy Ross, Winnie Hooper and Nora Johnston.

Mrs. A. P. Fryatt and Miss Elsie Fryatt of Snowdrop Avenue held a prenuptial tea in honor of Miss Phyllis Irish, bride-to-be, and when the guests included her fellow-workers of Messrs. David Spencer Ltd., Victoria. The rooms were beautifully decorated with floral and lighting effects. On their arrival, Miss Irish, Mesdames Irish and Robinson were presented with beautiful corsages by Miss Marilyn Reid. Later the bride-to-be was presented with a handsome trillite torch, on behalf of the staff of Spencer's. The guests included Mesdames A. Irish, Robinson, I. Smith, M. Smith, S. Ralph, E. Pollock, W. Wilders, the Misses Winnie Hooper, Barbara Bradford, Lila Crowthers, Bertha Darby, Winnie Graham, Margaret Johnson, Kitty Freethy, Iona McDermid, Violet Gandy, Betty Scotney, Beryl Drew, Dora Stocken, Kelso Hamilton, Lucy Ross, Vera Hunter, Eileen Mulcahey, Pat Preston, Elsie Fryatt, Joyce Dickson, Marjorie Symonds, Messrs. Bill Erb,

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MISS M. BLACKLEY

TORONTO (CP)—National officials of the Young Women's Christian Association announce that Miss Mable Blackley, general secretary of the Vancouver Y.W.C.A., has been appointed director of the Association's war service committees.

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## Weddings

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Mr. and Mrs. Lort will spend their honeymoon on the mainland and will later come over to Victoria to make their home here, where Mr. Lort is on the staff of the Provincial Library, Parliament Buildings.

### PRINGLE—SMITH

Christmas decorations made a pretty background for the wedding in St. Paul's Naval and Garrison Church, Esquimalt, on Christmas Eve of Sadie Gertrude, twin daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Smith, 1221 Lyall Street, Esquimalt, and Signalman Wellington Robert Pringle, R.C.N., eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Pringle, Regina, Sask. Rev. W. C. Western performed the ceremony and the organist played the wedding music.

Given in marriage by her father, who came from Winnipeg to attend the wedding, the pretty bride wore a floor-length Empire frock of white chiffon with a short-sleeved bolero. Her filmy veil of net fell to the hem of her skirt from a coronet of orange blossoms and she carried a shower bouquet of Opheelia roses and white carnations.

Mrs. J. Stewart was matron of honor, wearing a frock of coral pink chiffon with a long-sleeved bodice and a full-pleated skirt with gloves and doll hat in the same shade. She carried a bouquet of salmon pink carnations.

The bride's twin sister, Miss Lillian Smith, in a frock of aqua green celanese taffeta, and Miss Victoria Crowe in violet blue, were bridesmaids. Their gowns were fashioned alike with short-sleeved criss-crossed pleated bodices and long, full skirts with pleated pockets. They wore matching lace mittens and doll hats in the contrasting color and carried sheaves of bronze chrysanthemums and carnations.

Mr. Eric Smith was best man and William Giddeon and Douglas Lloyd, R.C.N., were ushers. During the signing of the register Corpl. Donald Boodle sang "Because."

A large number of guests were welcomed at the reception held in the Parish Hall, which was prettily arranged with flowers. The young couple stood between baskets of flowers to receive the good wishes of their friends. Supper was served at a table adorned with vases of pink and white chrysanthemums and centred with the three-tier wedding cake, topped with flowers. Mrs. Smith wore a princess gown of "soldier boy" blue sandalwood crepe with a black model hat trimmed with an ostrich plume, and receiving with her was Mrs. J. McCall in a white dotted brown crepe dress and matching accessories. Both wore corsage bouquets of white carnations and Opheelia roses.

Mr. and Mrs. Pringle will make their home in Esquimalt.

Ed Pearson, Alec Warren, W. B. Wilkinson and Mr. Wightman. The hostesses were assisted by Miss D. Stocken, who poured tea from a table spread with an ecru lace cloth and decorated with long cream tapers.

G. Douglas Morris, M.M., M.D., has arrived from the east and is visiting his father, Rev. J. Cosby Morris, D.D., who is wintering in Victoria, staying at the home of the late Rev. H. R. Baker, 1114 Pembroke Street. Dr. Morris, who won the Military Medal in the last war on the western front, is now medical officer with the Grey and Bruce Foresters at Camp Borden, Ont.

Miss Betty Kirkham, Vancouver, and Mr. Gordon Eaton, Halifax, were guests at the wedding.

### MATTHEWS—VESEY

At a pretty ceremony in St. Mark's Church on Christmas Eve, against the effective background of the Yuletide decorations, Rev. O. L. Jull united in marriage Edith May, only daughter of the late Mr. Vesey and Mrs. E. C. Vesey, 909 Falmouth Road, and Mr. Edwin Lloyd Matthews, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Matthews, Linden Avenue.

To the strains of the wedding march played by the church organist, the bride entered the church with her brother, Mr. Jack Vesey, who gave her in marriage. She was a radiant picture in her afternoon frock of heavenly blue silk crepe, with wine accessories and a corsage bouquet of gardenias and roses. Mrs. Ben Vesey, sister-in-law of the bride, was matron of honor, wearing a Monterey rose frock, a black hat trimmed with silver fox, black accessories and a corsage bouquet of roses, and Mr. Clifford Simons was best man.

Relatives and a few intimate friends were entertained at the home of the bridegroom's parents where chrysanthemums and carnations were mingled with the Christmas decorations. The bride and groom stood beneath a white petaloid bell to receive the felicitations of the guests who were welcomed on arrival by Mrs. Vesey, in a rose and grey ensemble, assisted by Mrs. Matthews in a wine dress trimmed with gold and black accessories. Both wore corsage bouquets of pink carnations.

The supper table was centred with a lovely Christmas centerpiece, and lighted with red tapers in silver candlesticks. The three-tier wedding cake stood on the tea-wagon, which was attractively arranged with flowers. Assisting the hostess in serving were the Misses Muriel and Shirley Ridout and Marlene Matthews.

For a honeymoon on the mainland, the bride left in a fur-trimmed teal blue coat over her wedding outfit. Mr. and Mrs. Matthews will make their home on Southgate Street. Mr. and Mrs. Leslie B. Matthews of Prince George, brother and sister-in-law of the bridegroom, were guests at the wedding.



GOERING GOT HER COAT—Lady Elizabeth Decies, the former Elizabeth Drexel of Philadelphia, pictured arriving in New York after 15 years in Paris. She said Reich Marshal Hermann Goering entered the Paquin salon in Paris as she was about to buy a coat. He liked it and took it for Frau Goering. Lady Decies didn't argue.

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## Royal Chatelaine of Rideau Hall Is Charming

By GLADYS ARNOLD  
Canadian Press Staff Writer

OTTAWA (CP)—The friendliness of Princess Alice's smile, her warm sympathy and unaffected simplicity will mean more than her royal rank to Canadians who meet the chatelaine of Rideau Hall.

Recently at a reception in the vice-regal residence a young officer of the R.C.A.F. stood nervously on the fringe of a gay, chatting crowd of young men in the uniforms of the three services and smiling girls in simple afternoon frocks. Obviously he was shy and apparently knew nobody.

Through the crowd stepped Princess Alice. She noticed the young officer at once and with quick friendliness went straight up to him and in no time at all he was chatting away and evidently quite at home.

### A REAL PRINCESS

"She spoke to me as though she had always known me—and right away I met a lot of people," he said. "She's a real princess."

It has been said of the Earl of Athlone, and might equally well be said of Princess Alice, who shares his enthusiasm, that "he is really interested in people's lives, in their houses, in their farms, their ovens and everything they are and have."

Since coming to Canada, war work, social and welfare activities and encouragement of culture have kept Princess Alice busy. She is doing in Canada what the First Great War made impossible at that time. That was when Lord Athlone was Governor-General of the Dominion but was called to duty in France.

It is recalled, however, that this granddaughter of Queen Victoria took part in the war work in England and turned up rain or shine at "Beaver Hut" to bring comforts and aid to Canadian soldiers.

### LEOPOLD'S DAUGHTER

Princess Alice Mary was born in Windsor Castle, February 25, 1883, daughter of Prince Leopold, fourth son and ninth child of Queen Victoria. Alice Mary was a sprightly child, with delicate bones and vivacity of temperament which gives her her light step and youthful carriage of today.

Her hair has silvered but the brown of her eyes has not dimmed since the days when she played with her royal cousins and was teased by a lively, kindly young man who was later to become George V.

Her quick mind, high spirits and passion for detail, together with considerable curiosity, led her into many an escapade which she recalls today with her three grandchildren about her.

Especially anticipated treats of her childhood days were gay visits to relations in the different European courts. Her French, spoken with an exquisite accent, was perfected on the continent and her interest in and understanding of other nationalities was gained by knowing the people themselves.



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## 900 Feast at Colorful Yuletide Party



The khaki, blue and blue grey of the services blended with formal dress at last night's Yuletide party at the Empress when some 900 people dined and danced in happy celebration of the festive season.

The picture shows the ceremonial of the Boar's Head, symbol of peace and plenty, borne among the diners in gay procession.

The international character of the brilliant affair was provided by the large number of visitors, not only from the United States, which is increasingly represented each year, but also from countries overshadowed by war.

In this remarkable assemblage of cosmopolites feasting together were refugees from Europe and the Orient, titled people, diplomats, politicians, artists, actors, judges, epicures from the world's fashionable centres, and a host of ordinary, interesting people.

There were people from London, Paris, Oslo, Prague, the French Riviera, from Shanghai, Americans were there from as far east as New York and as far south as Los Angeles. In larger numbers they hailed from Portland, Tacoma, Bellingham, Astoria, Salem and Seattle.

The fame of Victoria's Yuletide has spread far and wide. The Americans are particularly keen about the festival, many coming here year after year to enjoy a Christmas that is different.

Eastern Canadians, barred by war restrictions from taking

money out of the country, came here to participate in a jolly Christmas. The prairies sent the usual quota of visitors.

Vancouverites came over in large numbers to celebrate here. The 13th annual Yuletide festival, designed primarily to attract winter visitors to Victoria, outdid its predecessors in numbers and enthusiasm.

**MEDIEVAL COSTUMES**  
The time-honored celebration which dips into medieval history for its swashbuckling background, retains its distinctive appeal.

In this unique setting with its period pageantry reminiscent of the days when good Queen Bees reigned over Merrie England, its costumed carolling, gay wassailing, log-hauling and boar's head parading, the guests entered freely into the spirit of the Elizabethan era.

The ritual followed dates back to the Scandinavian celebration of "Jul" (modern version of Yule) at the time of the winter solstice. The ceremonies became part of the English feudal and manorial life when the Danes invaded England long before the Norman conquest. When Alfred the Great, of burned cake fame, drove the Danes out of England their Yuletide festivals remained behind.

In English feudal times the Yule log, destined to crackle a welcome in the great baronial hall to all comers, young and old,

rich and poor, was drawn by feudal retainers from its resting place in the forest. And as it passed on its appointed way each and every wayfarer raised his hat, for well he knew it was full of promise and good cheer. Its leaping flames would burn out old wrongs and cause the liquor to bubble in the wassail bowl, which was quaffed to drown year-old feuds and animosities.

So it was that the medieval ritual was followed last night at the Empress.

### LIGHT YULE LOG

The pre-dinner interest grew in intensity and the crowd of merry-makers surged forward as the silvery trumpet notes sounded through the halls and voices chanted "Come bring with a noise the Christmas log to the firing."

Merriment and laughter was temporarily stilled as Seneschal (Major L. Bullock-Webster) led the carolling lords and ladies, gorgeously clad in silks and satins, proceeding toward the great open hearth to announce the Yule log with "wine of the highest vintage, fat from the turkey eye are presently to enjoy."

To the accompaniment of "The Song of the Log" and hand-clapping, Mayor Andrew McGavin kindled the fire with "the splinter of a log of a bygone age."

This ceremonial completed, the choristers caroled away, the guests repaired to a trio of banqueting halls and the feasting and merrymaking continued far into the night.

### A.Y.P.A. LOCAL COUNCIL

The Victoria and District Local Council met in the Memorial Hall on Thursday evening with President Ray Hadfield in the chair. Miss Lenora Trickett gave the financial report. Stan Clarke, balminton convenor, reported the league schedule has commenced with six teams entering. Ray Hadfield reported arrangements made to obtain a charter for the junior branch of the Cathedral A.Y.P.A., and also outlined a proposed program to be sent to the Dominion Council for their conference to be held in May, 1941, at Guelph, Ont. Miss Muriel Malcolm accepted the position as convener for the Monthly Magazine. Miss Trickett reported on the entertainment arrangements for H.M. forces. The remainder of the evening was spent in discussion of programs for the coming year.

Tea is used as a drink by a greater number of people than any other beverage in the world.

### THESE WOMEN!

By d'Alessio

Two saltspoons of salt, ½ saltspoon of cayenne, 2 dessertspoons of lemon juice, 2 dessertspoons of powdered sugar, 2 dessertspoons of catsup, 4 dessertspoons of special tomato sauce, 6 dessertspoons of port wine or non-alcoholic port flavoring. Heat and mix well and serve with ducks, either broiled or baked.

### Parisienne in Bloomers

NEW YORK (CP)—The women of Paris, who used to wear the most gorgeous gowns in the world, now go about in plainer costumes. A favorite is a bicycling suit—usually equipped with bloomers. Reason: No gasoline for those famous taxis. Dispatches from Paris tell of designers putting their best efforts into cycling suits—into a necessary style for the city of Paris itself rather than into swanky costumes for the world.

General use of Christmas cards to convey seasonal greetings at the Yuletide began in 1862.

## St. Saviour's Holds Entertainments

The children of St. Saviour's Sunday school were entertained during the holidays at the church hall. On Saturday the juniors commenced with games under the direction of Alice Stone and Joan Walker, teachers, followed by an entertainment, including a Christmas tree, gifts presented by Santa Claus, assisted by Mrs. Hatcher.

Several of the church congregation and parents attended and joined in the fun around the Christmas tree.

On Monday evening 45 boys and girls of the senior departments sat down to supper prepared by the teachers. Mr. Smith of the cathedral staff was in charge of the concert program and community singing, in which everyone heartily joined. The boys of the school took part in humorous tricks and stunts organized for them by the superintendent.

Maureen Bursey won applause for her singing of "Wish Me Luck," with a tap dance for an encore. The class of girls under the direction of Mrs. Willis and Mrs. White, teachers, gave a delightful performance of a religious and musical play entitled "The Christmas Voice." After the singing of several carols, one of the guest children from Grimsby, England, Frank Asselton, distributed the presents from the decorated tree.

## Former Star of Silent Screen Dies

HOLLYWOOD (AP)—Blonde Agnes Ayres, 42, who rocketed to movie stardom in the silent screen days, retired to cinematic sidelines when the talkie era started and later made an unsuccessful comeback attempt, died Christmas Day of a cerebral hemorrhage.

Miss Ayres, a film contemporary of Gloria Swanson and Wallace Reid, whose outstanding roles were in "The Affairs of Anatol" and opposite Rudolph Valentino in "The Sheik," was stricken suddenly on Christmas Eve and died later in a hospital without regaining consciousness.

Surviving is a daughter, Marie, 15, now reported to be in Mexico City with her father, S. Manuel Reachi, from whom the actress was divorced in 1927. Miss Ayres' first husband was Capt. Frank P. Schuler, an army officer, whom she divorced in 1921.



**QUEEN GIVES GOWN**—The dress worn by Queen Elizabeth in the Senate chamber as shown above May 19, 1939, during the Royal tour, will be presented to Canada on behalf of the Queen by Princess Alice in a ceremony at the public archives, Ottawa, Dec. 19. A robe-de-style, created by the Queen's famous London dressmaker, Norman Hartnell, it was fashioned from shimmering white satin.



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T-BONE STEAK, lb. <b>22¢</b>	LOIN ROASTS, lb. <b>22¢</b>	WING RIB ROASTS, lb. <b>20¢</b>
CHUCK STEAK, lb. <b>18¢</b>	LOIN CHOPS, lb. <b>23¢</b>	POT ROASTS, lb. <b>15¢</b>
BOILING BEEF, lb. <b>12¢</b>	PORK STEAKS, lb. <b>19¢</b>	ROUND BONE, lb. <b>18¢</b>
BEEF LIVER, lb. <b>22¢</b>	<b>VEAL</b>	CHUCK ROASTS, lb. <b>17¢</b>
STEAK AND KIDNEY MINCED STEAK <b>2 lbs. 25¢</b>	BONELESS ROLLED ROASTS <b>20¢ lb.</b>	Hamburger Hearts <b>10¢ lb.</b>

Sugarcrisp CORN FLAKES <b>6¢ pkt.</b>	SOUP MIX, DRY GREEN PEAS, MACARONI, READY CUT LIMA BEANS, <b>2 lbs. 19¢</b>	CLARK'S SOUPS TOMATO OR VEGETABLE <b>2 tins 15¢</b>	CANADIAN TOILET TISSUE <b>3¢ roll</b>
Aylmer Pork and Beans 16-oz. <b>4 for 25¢</b>	NABOB TOMATOES 2½ lbs. <b>11¢ tin</b>	WAX PAPER 125-foot roll, carton <b>19¢</b>	CRISCO 1-lb. <b>20¢</b>
ORMOND'S DOLLAR SODAS <b>39¢ box</b>	SOAP FLAKES BULK 2-lb. Cellophane <b>17¢</b>	B. & K. ROLLED OATS Standard and Quick 6-lb. sack <b>29¢</b>	Red Spring Salmon, ½ lb. <b>2 for 27¢</b>
			Ballard's Dog Food, 1 lb. <b>3 for 25¢</b>

Peas and Carrots, Dewkist, 17-oz. tins <b>3 for 25¢</b>	Blue Ribbon Tea ½ lb. <b>29¢</b>
Cut Green Beans, Lunchour, 17-oz. <b>3 for 25¢</b>	1-lb. <b>56¢</b>
CLOVER HONEY 1-lb. tin <b>29¢</b>	BLUE RIBBON COFFEE 1-lb. vacuum tin <b>47¢</b>
4-lb. tin <b>53¢</b>	

FRUIT DEPT.	CHEESE, ¼-lb. pkts.	FISH DEPT.
No. 1 MIXED NUTS <b>20¢ lb. 3 lbs. 57¢</b>	Spreadable or Goldenloaf <b>2 for 27¢</b>	WHITING FILLETS, lb. <b>15¢</b>
CALIFORNIA FIGS, 10¢	BUTTER First Grade <b>3 lbs. \$1.18</b>	DRESSED SOLES, lb. <b>15¢</b>
SUNKIST LEMONS, dozen <b>13¢</b>	EGGS Grade A large, doz. <b>32¢</b>	SMOKED SALMON, lb. <b>22¢</b>
FRESH ROASTED PEANUTS <b>2 lbs. 25¢</b>	MILK—All Brands Tall tin, each <b>9¢</b>	SMOKED WHITING 2 lbs. <b>25¢</b>
No. 2 GEM POTATOES <b>12 lbs. 25¢</b>	Baby tins, 2 for <b>9¢</b>	FRESH CRABS, each <b>20¢ and 25¢</b>
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Large Cakes <b>2 for 15¢</b>	A.S.A. HEADACHE OR COLD TABLETS, bottle of 100 <b>19¢</b>	LARGE PACKET With Faring Knife <b>All for 23¢</b>
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	LISTERINE TOOTH POWDER, 39¢, with 25¢ size, both for <b>39¢</b>	
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## All Specials Available for Friday Saturday, Monday and Tuesday

Red Cross Notes	THE WEATHER	WEEKER SEX?
The hon. treasurer of Red Cross acknowledges the following amounts: The Italian Society of Victoria, per J. Balagno (additional), \$20.00; Wilkinson Road Ladies' Aid, for ambulance fund, \$3.00; Superfruits Store, donations received, December 14 to 20, \$54.45; Saanich municipal employees, part proceeds from annual ball, \$100.00; "A Friend," Port Angeles, Wash., U.S.A. (monthly contribution), \$10.00.	VICTORIA, 5 a.m. today—A moderate disturbance is centred southwest of Vancouver Island and pressure is relatively high over the state of Utah. The weather has been unsettled and mild throughout the British Columbia with showers in the Okanagan and Kootenay and rain on the coast. It is moderately cold in the prairie provinces. Victoria—Barometer, 29.75; temperature, max. 48, min. 43; wind, 10 miles S.; precip., .05, cloudy. Vancouver—Barometer, 29.75; temperature, max. 50, min. 45; wind, 10 miles S.E.; precip., .19; raining. Prince Rupert—Barometer, 29.64; temperature, max. 38, min. 32; wind, 5 miles N.; precip., 1.28; clear. San Francisco—Barometer, 30.00; temperature, max. 61, min. 45; wind, 2 miles S.E.; precip., .18; cloudy.	EL PASO, Tex. (CP)—The Texas A. & M. college extension service estimates a housewife using a six-pound iron lifts 1,200 pounds and pushes the iron six miles while doing an "average" washing.



# Radio Programs

(These programs are compiled from data received from the various broadcasting corporations. The Victoria Daily Times cannot be responsible for last-minute changes which are frequently made without adequate notification.)

## Tonight

**5**  
Pot of Gold—KJR, KGO.  
Meditation—CBR.  
Manger's Cabin—CJOR.  
Jack Armstrong—KOMO, KPO at 8:15.

**5:30**  
Aldrich Family—KOMO, KPO.  
Bud Barton—KJR.  
News—KGO.  
On Parade—CBR.  
Adventures—KOL.  
Concert Hall—CJOR.  
Tom Mix—KJR, KGO at 5:45.  
Bob O'Brien—KIRO, KX, KVI, 5:45.  
Captain Midnight—KOL at 5:45.  
Ringer Davis—KIRO, KX, KVI, 5:55.

**6**  
Bing Crosby—KOMO, KPO.  
Recital—KJR.  
Major Bowes' Amateurs—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Fulton Lewis—KOL.  
Good Will Hour—CJOR.  
News—KJR at 6:15.  
NBC Concert Orchestra—CBR at 6:20.

**6:30**  
News—KJR, KGO.  
John Hughes—KOL.  
American Serenade—CBR.  
Town Meeting—KJR at 6:30.  
Organ—CBR at 6:45.  
News—KGO at 6:45.

**7**  
Caravan—KOMO, KPO.  
Miller's Orchestra—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
News—CBR, CJOR.  
William Holt—CBR at 7:15.  
News—KOL at 7:15.  
Light and Lull—CJOR at 7:15.

**7:30**  
Musical Americana—KOMO, KPO.  
BBC News—CBR.  
Walter Williams—KOL.  
Sports Review—CJOR.  
Elmer Davis—KIRO, KX, KVI, 7:45.  
Quill—KOL at 7:45.  
Nights—CJOR at 7:45.  
News—KIRO, KX, KVI at 7:50.

**8**  
Fred Waring—KOMO, KPO.  
Amos 'n' Andy—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Charlaters—CBR.  
Symphony—KOL.  
News—CJOR.  
Lanny Ross—KIRO, KX, KVI at 8:15.  
Revelers—CJOR at 8:15.

**8:30**  
Dick Powell Show—KOMO, KPO.  
Fame and Fortune—KJR, KGO.  
Am 'n' B—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Stag Party—CBR.  
Hollywood Gossip—CJOR at 8:45.

**9**  
Big Town—KPO.  
Easy Aces—KJR, KGO.  
Strange As It Seems—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
News—KOL.  
Morgan's Orchestra—CJOR.  
Sherman's Orchestra—CBR at 9:05.  
Mr. Keen—KJR, KGO at 9:15.  
News—KIRO, KX, KVI at 9:25.

**9:30**  
Enterprising West—KPO.  
News—KJR.  
Avon's Orchestra—CBR.  
Martin's Orchestra—KOL.  
Bernard Braden—CJOR.

**10**  
News—KOMO, KPO, KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Poster's Orchestra—KJR.  
Centennial Spectacular—CBR.  
Haven of Rest—KOL.  
News—KIRO, KX, KVI at 10:15.

**10:30**  
Nottingham's Orchestra—KJR.  
Music by Woodbury—CBR.  
News—KOL, CJOR.  
Harris' Orchestra—KOL at 10:45.  
Melody in the Night—CJOR at 10:45.

**11**  
Cummins' Orchestra—KOMO, KPO, CBR.  
News—KJR, KGO, KX.  
Mortimer's Orchestra—CJOR.  
Bill Sabarsky—KJR at 11:15.  
Mojica's Orchestra—KOL at 11:15.

**11:30**  
Marshall's Orchestra—KOMO, KPO.  
Strand's Orchestra—KX, KVI.  
News—CBR.  
News—KOL at 11:45.  
News—KIRO, KX, KVI at 11:55.  
News—KOMO, KJR at 11:57.

## Tomorrow

**7:30**  
Wake and Sing—KOMO, KPO.  
Breakfast Club—KJR, KGO.  
News—KIRO, KX, KVI, CBR.  
Musical Minutes—CBR at 7:35.  
San Hayes—KOMO, KPO at 7:45.  
Morning Devotions—CBR at 7:45.  
News—CJOR at 7:45.

**8**  
News—CBR, CJOR.  
Breakfast Club—KOL.  
Against the Storm—KOMO, KPO at 8:15.  
News—KIRO, KX, KVI at 8:15.  
Clark Dennis—CBR at 8:15.  
Range Rider—CJOR at 8:15.

**8:30**  
Between Friends—KJR, KGO.  
Glebeberg—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
Musical Varieties—CBR.  
News—KOL.  
Breakfast Club—CJOR.  
News—KGO at 8:45.  
Kathleen Norris—KIRO, KX, KVI, 8:45.  
Balladeer—CBR at 8:45.

**9**  
News—KJR.  
Ann Holden—KGO.  
Kate Smith—KIRO, KX, KVI.  
News—CBR.

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# People in the News

## Pope Thanks Canada

The Pope in his Christmas message mentioned the co-operation of Canadian authorities in allowing the church to attend to the spiritual needs of Italian war prisoners and internees in Canada.

"We have succeeded in bringing many material and spiritual evidences of our concern . . . to Italian prisoners and internees, especially in Egypt, Australia and Canada," the pontiff said in the part of his message dealing with prisoners of war.

## 'Italy's Glorious Rise'

Victor Emmanuel, King of Italy and Emperor of Ethiopia, sent this Christmas message to Italian fighters:

"Fighters of the land, sea and air!

"In these days sacred to family affections my mindful and grateful thoughts are closer to you than ever.

"To all of you who, on the land, the sea and in the air are answering the sacred call of the fatherland, you who have fought and are fighting, I desire to send my word of affection and praise.

"A well-armed enemy is before you, but you will know how to show that no obstacle and no difficulty may halt the glorious rise of our Italy.

"Fighters of the land, sea and air!

"United in my most fervent wishes for you and your families there is today the whole nation, which shares with you the certainty of its glorious future."

## Praise From Lindbergh

William Allen White set forth his position as chairman of the Committee to Defend America by aiding the Allies and brought an expression of commendation from Col. Charles A. Lindbergh and an assertion by Verne Marshall that it was in "direct contradiction" to some of White's previously expressed views.

White said his only reason for being a member of the committee was "to keep this country out of war."

Marshall replied he had heard White say in an address: "It is time for us to take sides in this war."

Colonel Lindbergh said "Mr. White has rendered a great service to this country by clarifying his position and the position of his committee. He has given us new hope for a united America at a time in our history when unity is essential."

## Prayers for Hitler

Rudolf Hess, Hitler's deputy, in Berlin proposed a prayer for all Germans: "Give us power to help Hitler." In a traditional Christmas Eve address, Hess made this prayer:

"Almighty God, You gave us the Fuehrer. You blessed his battle with a vast victory. You gave him power to create and defend a new, great and free Germany. Now give us power to help him to the limit of our abilities by fighting and working for an everlasting and beautiful Germany and grant that we be worthy of Your blessing."

## 'Collapse' Unknown

Arthur B. Purvis, director-general of the British purchasing commission, said in Washington accelerated production of United States war material during the next 60 to 90 days would be important for England, but only as a pace-setter for future armament.

The principal British agent in the purchasing of billions of dollars' worth of war material flew to Washington to give treasury secretary Henry Morgenthau an hour-long review of what he found in England.

Purvis said British and American officials meant to imply no fear of military peril when they stressed the importance of accelerated production in the next few months.

When asked by newsmen whether "collapse" was implied in that period, Purvis replied heatedly:

"Collapse—the word isn't even in our dictionary."

## Benes Feels Optimistic

Edouard Benes, President of the provisional Czech government, broadcasting in London a Christmas message to Czechoslovaks in the United States, said the re-election of President Roosevelt was a "determining point" in the war.

"Germany's severe defeat in her efforts to invade England, Italy's unsuccessful attack on Greece, the rescue of Egypt and the present control of the Mediterranean by Britain seem to me to be definite turning points in the war," Dr. Benes said.

## Child Travels Alone

Charles Cavanaugh, five, arrived in Seattle traveling alone, save for his toy teddy bear, from New York and was met at a railroad station by his aunt, Mrs. Charles Neville, Vancouver, B.C., with whom he will live. Charles, whose home is Boston, Mass., is an "old hand" at travel, having visited England shortly before the war.

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## Had Colorful Career

Alfred "D. D." Dyer, 80, who died in Seattle was erstwhile engineer building the Burma Road, newspaper editor in such far-flung places as Hongkong, Seattle and Nelson, B.C., student of music and religion, and he will have his last and major work published posthumously.

He was a mild, scholarly man—known to friends in Seattle for 30 years as "the walking encyclopedia"—and only his intimates knew that in his salad days in his native India he was known as "devil dyer." That's why they were privileged to call him "D. D."

Dyer surveyed the route for the Burma Road, currently in the Sino-Japanese war headlines, was one of the first white men into the territory it traverses, and became a linguist skilled in many of the dialects of the east.

He is survived by a sister in Victoria.

## Noted Song Writer Passes

Billy Hill, 42, New York and Hollywood song writer, whose best-known work probably was his "Last Roundup," was found dead in a Boston hotel room. Dr. Herman Schwartz said he died of natural causes.

Songs written by Hill included "The Old Spinning Wheel," "They Cut Down the Old Pine Tree," "Rain," "Wagon Wheels," "Lights Out," "Old Man of the Mountain" and "In a Chapel in the Moonlight."

## Dies in China

Kenneth Yip Wing, University of British Columbia graduate, died in China of fever contracted while directing operations for the Kungong industrial co-operative in China.

Born in Vancouver in 1912, he attended King George High School and took a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering in 1935.

## Ex-Kaiser's Christmas

Former Kaiser Wilhelm celebrated his first Christmas Eve under German occupation of Holland in perfect health at Dogn House, Holland.

With him was probably the smallest circle of relatives since his exile began 22 years ago.

## Windsor Broadcasts

The Duke of Windsor said the example of Canadian-American relations was one which a warring world might follow.

He formulated a prayer "that the end of hostilities be not too far distant, and may God grant to those in power wisdom and the vision to prepare for the colossal readjustment that looms ahead."

He went on:

"Great Britain has again be-

## New 'Bay' Chairman

C. S. Riley of Winnipeg is the new chairman of the Canadian committee of the Hudson's Bay Company, succeeding George W. Allen, who died this month in Victoria.

Mr. Riley, managing director of the Northern Trusts Company, Winnipeg, has been a member of the Bay's Canadian committee for 12 years. He was born in Hamilton, formerly managed the Canadian Fire Insurance Company and the Canadian Indemnity Company, has been a director of the

## ROYAL BANK OF CANADA

During the last war he organized and took overseas the 59th Battery, became lieutenant-colonel and in France became commanding officer of the 53rd Battery of the Fifth Brigade.

P. A. Chester of Winnipeg, formerly of Vancouver, the Bay's general manager for Canada, is now named a member of the Canadian committee.

## come entangled in the strifes and

quarrels of the old world, where the teachings of the church and the message of Christmas have not been heeded and where leaders of great peoples have stirred up in the peaceful masses feelings of hatred which fundamentally they neither feel nor understand.

"Yet on the continent of America, with which we in the Bahamas are so closely associated, there are two peoples that for decades have lived peacefully side by side with a frontier several thousand miles long, unguarded by a single fort or a single soldier, because they have the same comprehension of the scheme of life which has been involved in perfect harmony by the new world."

## Nobody Left Out

## Of Festivities

In homes, big and small; in institutions, army messes, hotels and restaurants thousands sat down in Victoria yesterday for their annual turkey dinners and then went calling or sat quietly at home.

While it was a busy Christmas, it seemed a little more quiet than usual. No one was downhearted, or depressed, but there seemed to be more serious things on the minds of many than thoughts only of festivity.

From a business point of view it was a tremendous season. Storekeepers said they never had such a busy Christmas. Many stocks were almost depleted. Tomorrow will come the orgy of gift-exchanging.

Sailors and soldiers had a wonderful day. None lacked invitations to private homes for dinner. Many of the boys in uniform had two turkey dinners. Those forced to remain in barracks had their turkey and all the trimmings there. The men who had to remain on duty yesterday will be off New Year's Day.

## AT ARMY HOSPITAL

In Esquimalt Military Hospital the patients had a pleasant day. They were visited by Major-Gen. R. O. Alexander, G.O.C., who shook hands and chatted with them. Cigarettes were distributed.

## Better Babies Committee last night, war relief tonight—how about a little home relief?



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buted from R. W. Mayhew, M.P., and Capt. J. D. Hunter, M.P., and Lieut.-Col. R. S. Worsley of Red Cross distributed presents to each patient from the big tree, which had been beautifully decorated by the ladies' auxiliary to the Overseas Nursing Sisters. Patients enjoyed turkey dinner, and in the afternoon many friends called.

The aged of the city were well looked after. Mayor McGavin and several members of the City Council sat around the banquet board with the 45 pioneers at the board for Aged Men. Presents were distributed from the tree and the Mayor brought them the city's greetings.

At the Home for Aged and Infirm Women, more than 100 residents enjoyed their dinner with the board of directors and then had their tree and were "at home" all day to a steady stream of callers, who brought presents and best wishes.

Flowers and gifts poured into the Royal Jubilee and St. Joseph's Hospitals, and patients who were convalescing had an enjoyable day. They heard student nurses singing in the corridors and enjoyed splendid dinners. Lighted trees graced the sunrooms.

All was excitement at the B.C. Protestant Orphanage, where the youngsters had a wonderful day.

from the time they crept downstairs long before daylight until their heads were so heavy they could hardly hold them up at bedtime. Not one was forgotten.

The aged Chinese of Victoria had their party, too, arranged as usual by Mrs. Jane Mosher at Don Mee's restaurant, Fisgard Street, Christmas Eve. Nearly 70 aged Chinese sat down to their own kind of delicacies. The city and the B.C. Electric provided the Christmas tree, from which each guest received a long pair of woolen hose and candles, biscuits and cigarettes.

The bloodhound is the only dog whose "testimony" is accepted as evidence in a court of law.

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# Bright Spots Of Achievement

## Sports Mirror

By PETE SALLAWAY

MUZZ PATRICK may be a big rugged, tough hockey player but he's just another cream puff when it comes to traveling in an airplane. Muzz, who holds down a regular berth on the New York Rangers in the National Hockey League, breezed into the office this week on the occasion of his short visit home, and informed us he was sick from the time he boarded the transcontinental plane at New York until he disembarked at Seattle.

"I'm just the same on a plane as a boat," Muzz said. "Sick from the time I get on until I get off and, Pete, I really mean sick. The only thrill of the entire trip as far as I was concerned was during the flight from Oakland to Seattle. The pilots had the benefit of a 90-mile-an-hour tail wind and they really kept that ship humping along."

We noticed Murray was packing around a couple of fresh scars on his face. When questioned, Muzz gave out that they were reminders of the Rangers' last game in Boston against the rugged Bruins. "That one on my forehead was something Bill Cowley gave me to remember him by while the one on my chin was the result of a clip from the stick of Bill Juzda, one of our own players. That's the best yet, getting cut by one of our own players. It's bad enough trying to look out for the opposition without having to watch your teammates. But they are nothing compared to some of the bumps you take."

Extension of Judge Landis' contract as commissioner of baseball to 1946 is reminding that the old boy with the white mane has one of the softest jobs on the continent. He gets \$65,000 a year for growling.

Frank Frisch's demand that the Cincinnati club return Al Lopez' shin guards discloses that Jimmy Wilson wore those of the Pittsburgh catcher in the world series.

The Cincinnati organization may have a hard time finding the shin guards, however, for the 40-year-old Wilson gave all his equipment away following his final appearance as an active combatant in an exhibition game in Brooklyn. The clubhouse boy got one of the guards. The other went to someone else.

Wilson caught in an emergency, and the shin guards which belonged to Ernie Lombardi and Bill Baker were too long for him. So when the Reds visited Pittsburgh, he borrowed an extra set from Lopez.

Frisch wants the shin guards so Lopez can wear them next spring.

Shin guards, like shoes and gloves, are best for service after they've been used a little while.

Mike Jacobs couldn't get away with Tommy Tucker, a preliminary boy, as an opponent for Billy Conn at the Garden, February 28. So now it looks as though Conn will defend the lightweight leadership for \$15,000 against Anton Christoforidis in Cleveland.

Christoforidis had to get out of New York to earn recognition. The gorgeous Greek restored the breath of life to the professional game in Cleveland... demonstrated that boxing shows can be successfully promoted without the aid of monopolist Mike Jacobs.

On November 18 scientists in the Antarctic noted earth tremors recorded on a seismograph 100 miles east of Little America, and it is thought possible that these tremors were linked with earthquakes in Rumania and Turkey.

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## Brrrr! Christmas Swim



These five young huskies plunged into the Inner Harbor yesterday morning in the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club's annual Christmas Day swim over a 50 yards' course. The winner was Ian MacKenzie, who is shown holding the championship Captain M. D. Harbord Trophy. Next to him is Ken Hurn who finished second; Graham Drew, third; Peter Olsen, fourth, and Egil W. Nievevejar, fifth. The temperature of the water was 48 degrees and although the boys were goose-pimply when they climbed out, none of them experienced cramps or other difficulties. Immediately after the race, contestants and officials went to the Crystal Garden for hot refreshments. A crowd of interested spectators lined the causeway to watch the annual event.



## Best Sport Feat

## Cote Takes Honors

TORONTO (CP)—By several city blocks and with room to spare besides, Gerard Cote's two great victories in the Boston and United States championship marathons were voted today as the best individual achievement by a Canadian athlete in 1940.

Sports writers across Canada took a look back on the achievements through the year and, in the annual year-end poll of the Canadian Press gave the victories of the little St. Hyacinthe, Que., runner an overwhelming vote as the best bit of work. Cote already has been named as the athlete of the year.

Cote received 14 of the 29 votes for his record-smashing victory in the Boston marathon and his later triumph in the American championship race at Yonkers, N.Y. He was only a wee bit off the record in the Yonkers run, and this kind of running by the mighty mite was enough to convince the writers that his were the outstanding performances.

## LEONARD RUNNER-UP

Stan Leonard, the up-and-coming golfer from Vancouver and Calgary, was runner-up to Cote in this department, getting three votes for his victory in the Canadian Professional Golfers' Association tournament. No one else got more than one vote.

The others mentioned were: Cam Ecclestone for his pitching that won four straight victories for Toronto Bowles in the world softball championship tournament at Detroit.

Lex Cook for coaching Kirkland Lake Blue Devils to the Allan

Cup in his first season as a team leader.

The late Howie McPhee of Vancouver for his brilliant English rugger playing.

Don McDiarmid of Ottawa for winning the Canadian singles tennis championship.

Jim Snyder of Waterloo, Ont., for winning the Canadian singles badminton championship.

Tony Golab and Andy Tommy of Ottawa Rough Riders, for their play with the Canadian football champions.

Hank Goldup's four-goal scoring spurge against New York Americans here November 30.

Tracy Shaw for piloting Oshawa Generals to a second straight Memorial Cup triumph.

Tony Graboski for his play with Sydney Millionaires in the Allan Cup playdowns.

Sammy Sward, Ottawa football star, and Norah McCarthy of Toronto and North Bay, Ont., split the other vote.

## LOST WRESTLING, WINS SHOOTING

RALEIGH, N.C. (CP)—Bob Parks bagged a buck that beat him wrestling.

Seated on a pine stump during a hunting trip, Parks looked around to see a deer bound over his head. Parks reached up and grabbed the buck by the hind leg.

The leaping deer snatched the 218-pound farmer off his perch and headlong into a thicket. The buck pulled free. Parks scrambled to his feet, picked up his gun. Twice he missed, but the third shot dropped the buck.

## Youngster Has His Day



Mickey, a patient at the Shrine Hospital for crippled children in San Francisco, gets real top flight advice on football matters. For the star-spangled group in the above quartette of All-Americans will participate in the annual Shrine west-east game there New Year's Day. Left to right are: Frank Reagan, University of Pennsylvania; Paul Crisman, University of Missouri; Tom Harmon, University of Michigan and Rudy Mucha, University of Washington.

# Boston Powerhouse Moves Ahead as Toronto Falters

## Tie Gives Lions Coast Ice Lead

VANCOUVER (CP)—The Seattle Olympics and the Vancouver Lions played to a 3 to 3 overtime tie in a Christmas Day Pacific Coast Hockey League game here, but the point was enough to send the Lions back into the lead in the league standings.

Lou Labovitch, recent Lion acquisition from the prairies, and Mark Maveety were the other Vancouver scorers. Dave Downie with two, and Frank Daley, were the Seattle marksmen.

The Olympics began to build up a lead early in the opening period on goals by Downie from Hal Tabor and Daley unassisted. But the period ended with the teams deadlocked 2 to 2 after Labovitch, assisted by Jack Riley and Tip O'Neill and Maveety, aided by Jack Lord, scored for the Lions.

Seattle took a 3 to 2 lead late in the second period on Dave Downie's second goal of the game, but Jerwa took a pass from Bill Hulton and Jack Riley through a maze of players in front of the Seattle net at 19:10 in the third period to tie up the game again.

The overtime period was slow and failed to produce a goal.

## SUMMARY

First period—1, Seattle, Downie (Tabor), 11:25. 2, Seattle, Daley, 13:18; 3, Vancouver, Labovitch (Tiley, O'Neill), 14:13; 4, Vancouver, Maveety (Lord), 18:04. Penalties—Lofvenhal, Labovitch Coulter.

Second period—5, Seattle, Downie, 18:05. Penalties—None.

Third period—6, Vancouver, Jerwa (Hulton, Riley), 19:10. Penalties—None.

Overtime period—No scoring. Penalties—None.

## Cowley Still Sets Great Scoring Pace

Bill Cowley of Boston Bruins continued his brilliant pace at the top of the National Hockey League's individual point-getters by scoring two unassisted goals in the Bruins 8 to 1 victory over the New York Americans last night. Eight points behind the leader, Bryan Hextall of New York Rangers and Syl Apps, Toronto, remained tied for second place when Hextall bagged two goals and Apps two assists.

Eddie Wiseman of Boston earned an assist to hold the next berth while Toronto's Gord Drillon, who scored twice, was tied for fifth with Phil Watson of Rangers, who got two assists. Syd Howe of Detroit was held pointless, dropping into the last big seven berth.

	G.	A.	P.
Cowley, Boston	9	18	27
Hextall, Rangers	12	7	19
Apps, Toronto	7	12	19
Wiseman, Boston	7	11	18
Drillon, Toronto	10	7	17
Watson, Rangers	3	14	17
Howe, Detroit	7	9	16

## Leafs Take Spanking From Wings

The crown-seeking heads of Toronto Maple Leafs had reason to rest a little uneasy today as Boston Bruins, with another scoring combination responding fast to the pace set by the brilliant Bill Cowley, jockeyed into position for what may well be the usual Bruin midseason drive.

The Maple Leafs, after grabbing a wide edge on the National Hockey League's top position, have settled a little of late. On the other hand, the Bruins have swung along at an even gait and are now in third place, two points behind the Red Wings and eight behind the Leafs.

It is not so much the position as how they got there that constitutes the Boston threat to the Leafs. The highest scoring team in the league, the Bruins have the top individual scorer in the veteran Bill Cowley and the famed "kraut" line of Milt Schmidt, Bobby Bauer and Woody Dumart has swung fast into stride after a slow start.

Both Cowley and the Kraut trio featured the attack as the Bruins swamped New York Americans, 8 to 1, last night to gain valuable points on Toronto, meanwhile beaten 3 to 2 by Detroit. Only Montreal Canadiens were left out of the Christmas night proceedings, with Chicago Black Hawks tying New York Rangers, 3 to 3, in the other fixture.

The Boston match marked the full return to form of the Schmidt-Dumart-Bauer trio, which finished one-two-three among individual scorers last season. The trio combined for 10 scoring points, with Bauer and Schmidt each getting two goals and two assists and Dumart bagging a goal and an assist.

The veteran Cowley, threatening to set a record among recent years for individual point-getting, stretched his point total to 27 by also bagging a pair of goals in the triumph before a crowd of 14,000. The other Bruin tally went to Art Jackson, with Fred Hunt averting a shutout for Americans.

At Detroit, the Maple Leafs continued their slump that has netted them only one point for a draw in four matches when they bowed to the Red Wings before a crowd of about 8,500. The Leafs went into a 2 to 1 lead in the initial frame but the revamped Wings scored a goal in each of the next two periods for the victory.

The starry Syl Apps set up Gordie Drillon for both of Toronto's first-period tallies after Gus Giesbrecht had opened the scoring for Detroit. Syd Abel and Jimmy Orlando helped Eddie Wares get the tying counter in the second period, however, and then Wares took passes from Don Grosso and Jack Stewart for the winning tally at 20 of the final frame.

Two goal individual performances on each side featured the match as the Rangers broke a fifth-place tie with New York Americans by drawing Chicago at New York. Bryan Hextall bagged the brace of tallies for the Rangers, while Regis (Pep) Kelly scored twice for Chicago, who dropped into fourth place behind Boston with their point.

Lynn Patrick opened the scoring unassisted for New York with the only goal of the first period and Hextall made it 2 to 0 before Bill Carse bagged the Black Hawks' second-period goal. In the final frame, Kelly scored two straight goals and Hextall evened for the Rangers to send the match into a scoreless overtime session.

## Summaries follow:

### RANGERS-CHICAGO

First period—1, Rangers, L. Patrick, 4:02. Penalties: None. Second period—2, Rangers, Hextall (Watson-Hiller), 12:33; 3, Chicago, W. Carse (Allen-Cooper), 9:52. Penalty: Watson. Third period—4, Chicago, Kelly, (Cooper-Hergesheimer), 4:50; 5, Chicago, Kelly (Allen), 10:23; 6, Rangers, Hextall (Watson-N. Colville), 14:28. Penalty: Cooper. Overtime period—Scoring: None. Penalties: None.

### BOSTON-AMERICANS

First period—1, Boston, Jackson (Wiseman), 10:42. Penalty: Dumart. Second period—2, Boston, Bauer (Schmidt), 2:30; 3, Boston, Bauer, 8:20. Penalties: None. Third period—4, Boston, Dumart (Schmidt), 2:18; 5, Boston, Cowley, 5:15; 6, Boston, Schmidt (Bauer-Dumart), 10:59; 7, Boston, Schmidt (Bauer-Holtz), 12:13; 8, Boston, Cowley, 15:03; 9, New York, Hunt (Boll), 15:35. Penalties: None.

### DETROIT-TORONTO

First period—1, Detroit, Giese-

## Mowers May Be Rookie of Year

TORONTO (CP)—Prospects of a Canadian-born goalie winning the National Hockey League rookie award for first time appear bright this season as a dozen or so promising first-year men show indications that they are in the big-time for keeps.

Among the yannigans there is a tendency for goaltenders to get the nod over other players if the contest is close and this year's nominee of the nets is 24-year-old Johnny Mowers of Detroit Red Wings.

Twice in the last five seasons netminders have won the award, but both Frankie Brimsek of Boston, 1939 selection, and Mike Karakas, Chicago's prize rookie of 1936, are American born. Since experts started naming outstanding rookies eight years ago, Canadian and American-born athletes have divided the honors, but a Canadian goalie has never earned the distinction.

Mowers, a native of Niagara Falls, Ont., gained minor league experience last season and performed so well in camp this year that Manager Jack Adams chose him to fill the shoes of the veteran Tiny Thompson in the Wings' net. Boasting one of the best goaltending records in the circuit, Johnny has played an important part in the fine showing of the Detroit club.

The young goalie demands consideration on his present record, but the season is young and anything can happen before the winner of the Calder trophy is named. Managers of other clubs have no opposition to offer in the way of rookie goalies but they have other yannigans in the race.

## OTHER CANDIDATES

Montreal Canadiens and New York Americans, with rebuilt clubs, have numerous promising first-year men. Boss Red Dutton has several rookies with the A's that he thinks rate good chances—including Fred Thurier, Fred Hunt, Peanuts O'Flaherty and Pete Slobodian. Coach Dick Irvin is enthused over prospects of Joe Benoit, Johnny Quilty and Ken Reardon, important cogs in the Montreal machine.

Other clubs have not stressed rookies much this season, but in Dave Mackay and Max Bentley Chicago Black Hawks present threats for yannigan honors. The Chicago club has been the only one to produce two prize rookies so far—Karakas in 1936 and Cully Dahlstrom in 1938.

## Yanks Counting On Youngsters

BUFFALO, N.Y. (AP)—Conceding his New York Yankees a better-than-even chance to win the 1941 American League pennant, manager Joe McCarthy admits he is depending on a pair of Yankee farmhands to help him turn the trick.

The boys he has in mind, McCarthy revealed yesterday, are 21-year-old shortstop Phil Rizzuto, Los Angeles, and 20-year-old second baseman Jerry Priddy, Long Island, N.Y., graduates of the Yankee farm system via Kansas City of the American Association.

"I think Rizzuto and Priddy will add plenty of pep to the team, and give us one of the best second-base combinations in the business," McCarthy observed. "In my opinion these boys were the outstanding second-base combination in the minors for the past two years."

McCarthy declined to say whether his present keystone combination of shortstop Frank Crosetti and second sacker Joe Gordon would be benched in favor of the Rizzuto-Priddy duo.

Reminded Crosetti's batting average last year was .194 and Gordon's .281, whereas Rizzuto and Priddy chalked up unofficial averages with Kansas City of .347 and .306 respectively, McCarthy admitted the comparison was significant, but refused to comment on any possible changes in the line-up "until after spring training."

brecht (Bruneteau), 5.41; 2, Toronto, Drillon (Apps), 15.41; 3, Toronto, Drillon (Apps), 19.48. Penalties: None. Second period—4, Detroit, Wares (Orlando, Abel), 5.27. Penalty: Davidson. Third period—5, Detroit, Wares (Grosso-Stewart), 3.20. Penalties: None.

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#### Sandstorm Struck Travelers in Open Car

There are mountains along the western side of the Sahara desert. This fact became clear to two young men who set out to cross the desert from Morocco to Egypt 10 years ago. They were aboard an automobile, and found the Atlas Mountains extremely hard to get over.



A scene in Algeria.

One of the travelers—the one who owned the car—was a Dane. His name was Knud Holmboe. He had been brought up as a Christian, but had changed to the Mohammedan faith.

The other was Ab Deslam, a native of Morocco. He had heard that Holmboe was soon to make the journey, and had asked to go along.

The car was a six-cylinder affair of American make. It was open, and for that reason would not protect those in it in case of a sandstorm. Several extra cans of gasoline were placed inside the car before the journey started.

Leaving Ceuta, in Spanish Morocco, they drove southward to the city of Fez. Then they went east to Ujda and turned south again, this time heading for Figig.

The route led over loose sand, and they were able to drive the car forward only by going into low gear. Now and then Ab Deslam got out to push.

About 4 o'clock, a wind sprang up and fine sand flew about. The wind grew stronger, and soon the travelers were almost choking. They made no effort to keep on going but crawled under rugs in the car.

Before long the howling wind died down, and the sandstorm was over. That night they slept in the desert, and found it very cold. The next morning they were able to get the car started again, and before long saw smoke rising from a spot not far ahead of them, on the side of one of the ridges of the Atlas Mountains.

Driving toward the smoke, they reached a village of a sort. In it lived so-called "cave dwellers of the mountains." The natives had dark brown skins, but their features were not those of negroes. An old man in the village spoke in Arabic to the visitors, asking them how far they were going. I, reply they named a city which he had never heard about.

Before they left, the old man gave them a hen as a present

### THIS CURIOUS WORLD

By William Ferguson



ANSWER: Africa, Sumatra, Borneo and South America.

### Dorothy Dix's Letter Box

DEAR MISS DIX—Since my wife died 12 years ago I have lived in a boarding house. A fellow boarder is a widow of my own age, 50, and, although we have never spoken words of affection to each other, we both know that we are in love. I have refrained from telling her of my feelings because I know that she has money. The other night in a casual conversation she mentioned that her assets were worth a certain sum, which is about 15 times more than mine. I feel that she did that to encourage me; but it had the opposite effect, because I am of an independent nature, and I feel she is now a thousand miles away from me. I would hate the finger of scorn to be pointed at me by her friends as a gold-digger. What should I do? I am positive she loves me. JACKO.

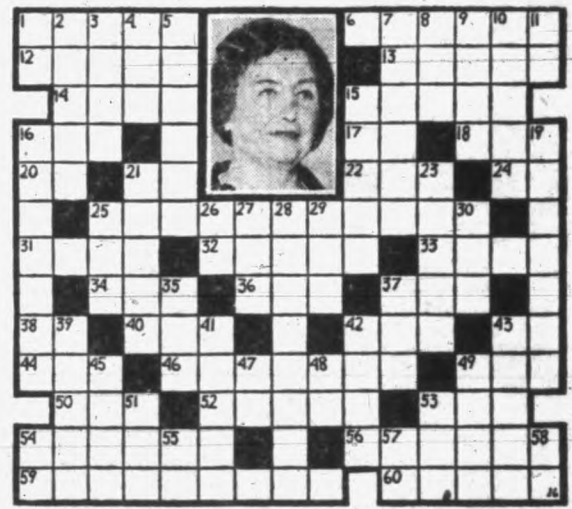
ANSWER: Put your silly false pride in your pocket and pop the question to the widow. She has gone as far as a lady can in proposing to you. Now it is up to you to take the initiative, for her sake as well as your own.

If you feel so keenly on the money question, tell her that you want her to keep entire charge of her estate and that you make no claims whatever upon her property. If she would have to support you, you might hesitate to marry her and become a parasite upon her; but you have enough money to supply all of your own wants and be independent, and you are very foolish to let a little money come between you.

Two people of your age can make life a beautiful and happy thing for each other. Don't throw away the gifts that the gods have offered you. If you marry this woman and give her love and companionship and understanding, you are giving her something far more valuable than anything that her money will buy.

As for what other people think and say, don't give that a thought. Whatever we do we will be criticized. DOROTHY DIX.

### Today's Crossword Puzzle



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|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------------|--|
| <b>HORIZONTAL</b> | 1. Famous        | 2. Was victorious  | <b>VERTICAL</b>   | 1. Laughter             | instructor was her constant companion. |
| 3. deaf and blind | 4. To have.      | 5. Knave of clubs. | 2. Mistake.       | 3. Booty.               | 21. Drunkard.                          |
| 6. Fragrant       | 7. Having an     | 8. Click beetle.   | 3. Ratite bird.   | 4. To peruse.           | 23. Frozen.                            |
| 9. Ingenious.     | 10. This         | 11. woman is a     | 5. People.        | 25. To peruse.          | 26. Note in scale.                     |
| 12. Uproar.       | 13. To analyze.  | 14. woman is a     | 6. Related on the | 27. Adam's mate.        | 28. Recital.                           |
| 15. Folding bed.  | 16. Preposition. | 17. To make lace.  | 7. mother's side. | 29. Silkworm.           | 30. To sink.                           |
| 18. Toward.       | 19. Toward.      | 20. Toward.        | 8. Gibbon.        | 31. Small flap.         | 32. Merriment.                         |
| 21. Toward.       | 22. Toward.      | 23. Toward.        | 9. Register.      | 33. Small flap.         | 34. Merriment.                         |
| 24. Toward.       | 25. Toward.      | 26. Toward.        | 10. Ipecac herbs. | 35. Small flap.         | 36. Merriment.                         |
| 27. Toward.       | 28. Toward.      | 29. Toward.        | 11. Musical note. | 37. Merriment.          | 38. One who rows.                      |
| 30. Toward.       | 31. Toward.      | 32. Toward.        | 12. Graduate.     | 39. One who rows.       | 40. Mohammedan title.                  |
| 33. Toward.       | 34. Toward.      | 35. Toward.        | 13. Graduate.     | 41. Mohammedan title.   | 42. To love to excess.                 |
| 36. Toward.       | 37. Toward.      | 38. Toward.        | 14. Graduate.     | 43. Mandarin residence. | 44. Spore sacs.                        |
| 39. Toward.       | 40. Toward.      | 41. Toward.        | 15. Graduate.     | 45. In a high degree.   | 46. Substit.                           |
| 42. Toward.       | 43. Toward.      | 44. Toward.        | 16. Graduate.     | 47. Chinese sedge.      | 48. Nothing.                           |
| 45. Toward.       | 46. Toward.      | 47. Toward.        | 17. Graduate.     | 49. Constant companion. | 50. The heart.                         |
| 48. Toward.       | 49. Toward.      | 50. Toward.        | 18. Graduate.     | 51. EIL.                | 52. Pound (abbr.).                     |
| 51. Toward.       | 52. Toward.      | 53. Toward.        | 19. Graduate.     | 53. Road (abbr.).       | 54. Road (abbr.).                      |
| 54. Toward.       | 55. Toward.      | 56. Toward.        | 20. Graduate.     | 55. Road (abbr.).       | 56. Road (abbr.).                      |
| 57. Toward.       | 58. Toward.      | 59. Toward.        | 21. Graduate.     | 57. Road (abbr.).       | 58. Road (abbr.).                      |
| 60. Toward.       | 61. Toward.      | 62. Toward.        | 22. Graduate.     | 59. Road (abbr.).       | 60. Road (abbr.).                      |

### HOROSCOPE

Friday, December 27

Adverse aspects dominate today. The judgment is not to be trusted under this planetary rule, which encourages depression and lack of confidence in the future. It is an auspicious date for seeking change and recreation.

This configuration may incline women to feel sorry for themselves, if they are disappointed in any of their ambitions. It may be nerve-straining to reason with homekeepers. Girls may be difficult to guide in choosing either husbands or vocations. Practical plans for the coming year should be carefully formulated, because foresight now will prove fortunate in a world in which history is blotting out ideals and traditions, as well as cities and nations.

Russia will continue to be a puzzle in Europe. Stalin's horoscope seems to indicate that his health will be undermined, a throat trouble being the likely cause. Uranus is in a place pre-arranging changes in government personnel and another purge is probable. Workers under the Soviet will be pushed into extraordinary activity. A new phase of socialism has been foretold.

Persons whose birthdate it is have the augury of a busy, eventful year. Certain men will be prominent in defence preparations in friends as well as finances. Children born on this day will be frank, generous, trustworthy and intelligent. These natives of Capricorn have the probability of success through life.

### STRAWBERRY VALE

The annual Christmas entertainment of Wilkinson Road United Sunday School was held under the direction of Rev. W. Allan. Outstanding in the evening's entertainment was a series of pictures shown through the kindness of Percy Willis depicting the early life of Jesus Christ and

portraying modern conditions in Palestine. Refreshments were served under convership of Mrs. J. C. Swales.

### Boots and Her Buddies



### Wash Tubbs



### Mr. and Mrs.



### By Arthur Folwell and Ellison Hoover



### Alley Oop



### By V. T. Hamlin



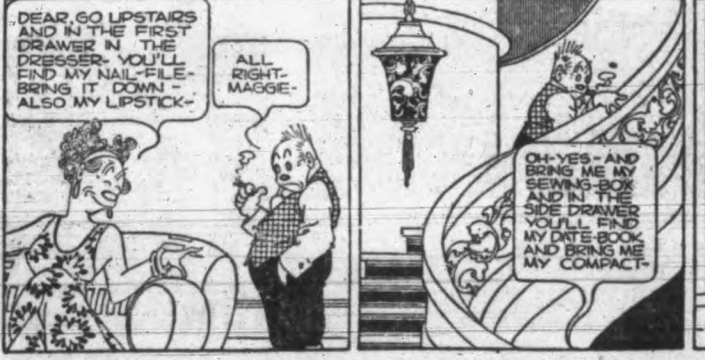
### Freckles and His Friends



### By Merrill Blosser



### Bringing Up Father



### By George McManus





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## TOWN TOPICS

**R. H. McInnes, 1554 Gladstone Avenue,** reported to police that his wife's purse was stolen off the kitchen table Tuesday night. The purse was later found a few doors down the street, minus \$2.

**The Oranges Lodges of Victoria** will entertain their children at the annual Christmas tree to-morrow afternoon in the Orange Hall at 2.30. An entertainment of pictures, tap dancing and ventriloquism has been arranged. Supper will be served by a committee of ladies.

**Four parcels were stolen from a car** owned by Miss Beasley, 943 St. Charles Street, while it was parked on View Street Tuesday night, city police were informed. On the same evening a printing and developing set, valued at \$15, and a mirror, brush and comb set, valued at \$15, were stolen from a car owned by W. Clarke, R.R. 2 Victoria, while it was parked on Blanshard Street.

The boundary between Canada and Alaska is 1,541 miles long.

## Local Air Ace, Released, Weds

The war and her son, Flight Lieutenant William Weir "Bill" Campbell, D.F.C., provide one surprise after another for Mrs. P. J. Campbell, 140 Moss Street.

During the summer she was informed by Imperial authorities her son had been decorated for his conspicuous work against the Italians in the Mediterranean, but her joy was clouded by the news he was interned in Greece following a forced landing. For months she heard no further news. Then she was informed he had been freed when Greece entered the war on Britain's side.

Last month her third delightful surprise came in the form of the cable:

"Was married last week in Athens. Love from both of us. Letter follows."

The cable has been amplified to date only by a note in the magazine "Newsweek" of November 11, which, under the heading "Side-lights of the War," read:

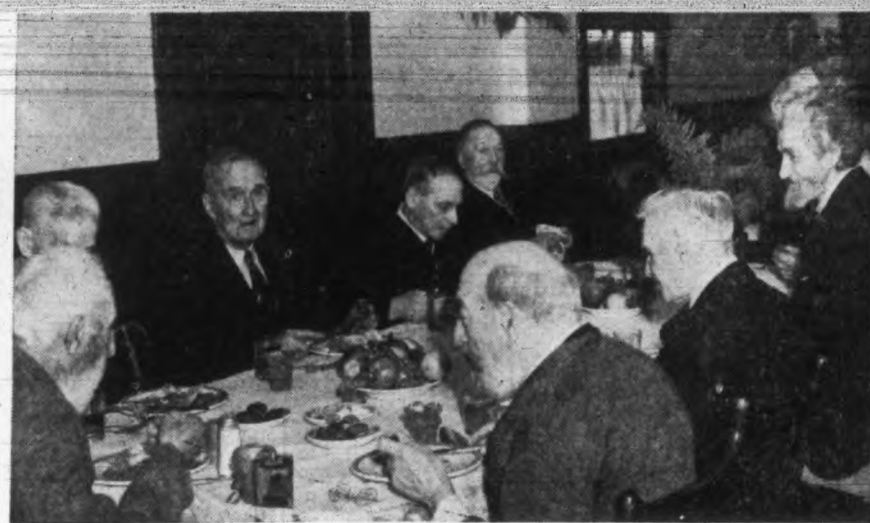
"A bridegroom was at the controls of a British Sunderland flying boat which skimmed the rooftops of Athens on November 2 as a symbol of British assistance to Greece. He was the Canadian-born Lieutenant W. Weir Campbell who made a forced landing off Greece two months ago and during his subsequent internment met Miss Alice Rooney, an English resident of Greece. They were married on the day before Campbell flew his released ship back into active service."

Now, as she receives her Christmas mail, Mrs. Campbell shuffles her letters and cards looking for one with a Greek postmark. A slide in the Rockies was reported to have delayed the mails and Mrs. Campbell waits impatiently.

"I've only received the cable. I'm thrilled at the thought of a new daughter, but I do wish that letter would arrive so I can know more about her, says Mrs. Campbell."

At an experimental toy institute in Zagorsk, Russian toy makers design new toys and train specialists in this work.

## Pioneers Enjoy Heaping Plates of Turkey



At the Home for Aged Men yesterday the residents, many of them hale and hearty despite their years, tucked into a bountiful Christmas dinner of turkey and all the trimmings, with Mayor McGavin and members of the City Council as their guests.

## Thousands Attend Christmas Services

The Birth of Christ was celebrated by thousands of Victorians at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day services of praise and devotion in most churches of the city and district.

Places of worship were colorfully decorated, many of them with the simple manger scene of Bethlehem, where Jesus was born; voices rose in the singing of carols and hymns of praise and the Christmas story was given from the pulpits.

Many of the larger churches had midnight services Christmas Eve as well as other celebrations of Holy Communion throughout Christmas Day.

In Anglican churches Holy Communion was celebrated at intervals throughout the morning. Large congregations took part. Christ Church Cathedral had the largest gatherings of Anglican services.

At the cathedral, Midnight Eucharist Christmas Eve was conducted by Bishop H. E. Sexton, who also officiated and preached at the choral celebration of Holy Communion yesterday morning at 11. Subject of his sermon was "Emmanuel, God With Us." At this service, Dean Spencer H. Elliott read matins.

Celebrations of Holy Communion were also held at 7, 8 and 9.30 yesterday morning.

**ST. JOHN'S**  
 Celebrant at the midnight service Christmas Eve at St. John's Church was the rector, Rev. George Biddle. Mr. Biddle was in charge of another service at 8 Christmas morning and preached at a third service at 11.

The rector emeritus, Canon F. A. P. Chadwick, was the celebrant at Holy Communion service at 11, when Mr. Biddle traced through the centuries the fact that God had spoken in many ways and by many means. In the last days God had spoken by His Son, the rector said.

The Babe of Bethlehem still remained the solution to the world's hardest problems. Because God had spoken man must in turn obey, not by force, but by willing obedience seeking a better way.

**PONTIFICAL HIGH MASS**  
 Main Roman Catholic service was Pontifical High Mass at St.

Andrew's Cathedral Christmas Eve when Rev. Father Augustine of the Passionist Fathers, St. Ann's Monastery, Scranton, Pa., preached the sermon. His message was based on the text, "Glory be to God in the highest, and on earth, peace to men of good will."

Bishop John C. Cody was the celebrant at Holy Communion, assisted by Rt. Rev. Mgr. A. G. Baker, V.G., Major the Rev. Father A. B. Wood, Captain the Rev. J. J. MacDonald and Rev. Father H. Despard.

Masses were held at 7, 8, 9.30 and 11, Christmas morning. Devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help took place at 3.45 in the afternoon and at 7.30 last night.

**COMBINED UNITED SERVICE**  
 Congregations of Metropolitan United and First United Churches joined in Christmas worship at a morning service. Services were held also in other United churches of the district.

Rev. Hugh A. McLeod of First United Church gave the message at the service at Metropolitan Church and Rev. Dr. A. E. Whitehouse of Metropolitan Church conducted the devotional part of the service.

Mr. McLeod gave a historic and romantic meditation of the associations of the city of Bethlehem. Bethlehem was always a place of devotion in the history of its people, he said.

**BAPTISTS CELEBRATE**  
 Christmas services were held at Baptist churches of the city. At Central Baptist Church, the minister, Rev. Dr. J. B. Rowell, gave a message yesterday morning on "Christ's First Advent; Consolation Amid Consternation and the True Grounds of Rejoicing."

Christmas services in Presbyterian churches of the city were held Sunday.

**JEWISH FEAST**  
 Orthodox Jews of Victoria ushered in a feast of dedication and lights known as Chanukah, Christmas Eve, which will last eight days.

The festival commemorates a dramatic event in Jewish history and is one of the most vivid and colorful in the Jewish calendar.

It tells the story of Jewish martyrdom and heroism.



**WINS GEORGE CROSS**—Lieut. John Macmillan Stevenson Patton, 25, son of Mrs. Colin Osborn, Bull's Lane, Hamilton, Ont., has been awarded the George Cross for conspicuous gallantry while serving overseas. At the risk of his life, he removed a delayed-action time bomb from an important wartime industrial plant which endangered the lives of workmen and property.

## Raider Sunk?

**NEW YORK (AP)**—The German liner Hamburg, once called the "floating athletic field," may have been sunk while operating as a raider off the Portuguese coast, Capt. Joel Gomes of the freighter Concalo Vehlo said today.

Gomes said on his arrival here he had sighted an empty lifeboat bearing the name "Hamburg" 200 miles due east of the Azores December 11.

## 300 Deer Shot

**CRANBROOK, B.C. (CP)**—Approximately 300 deer were brought into Cranbrook during the hunting season this year and were skinned and prepared for table. Hunters came from as far away as Vancouver.

At Windermere two Indians were fined \$250 or an alternative of three months' hard labor for shooting a mountain sheep out of season.

Plastics are providing new decorative effects for the sides of orchestra drums.

## Holiday Mishaps

## Cars Collide But No Bad Injuries

No one was seriously hurt in a series of automobile accidents which occurred Christmas Day, according to the city police.

Cars driven by Frank H. Textor, 3309 Whittier Street, and Gordon Paine, 3429 Bethune Avenue, met in collision at Menzies and Michigan Streets yesterday afternoon. Mrs. Textor suffered head injuries and bruises and was taken to St. Joseph's Hospital. Dr. A. C. Sinclair attended her.

Damage was sustained by cars driven by Leonard Foster, 3 Erie Street, and Herbert Richens, Duncan, when they collided at Yates and Vancouver Streets at 5.25.

At Fort and Wharf Streets at 4.30 cars driven by Leslie M. Evans, 120 Turner Street, and Robert Brotherton, 305 Huntingdon Place, collided.

Cars driven by Enoch Ferri-day and J. A. Ivor, R.C.N., barracks, collided at Cook Street and Queen's Avenue at 3.

Considerable damage was done to cars in charge of Frank White, R.R. 2, Sooke, and George Shingles when they collided at 2.11 in the morning at Cook Street and Pandora Avenue.

Some damage was done to cars driven by John McEay, 612 Bole-sline Road, and Gordon Robert Payne, 3212 Aldridge Street, when they collided around 1 yesterday morning at Queen's Avenue and Cook Street.

Mrs. C. Ley, 2559 Carey Road, reported to police that shortly after midnight yesterday her car, parked outside Curry's Funeral Home, was struck by a car driven by James Purdy, 118 Robertson Street. Mrs. Ley's car was considerably damaged.

Cars driven by A. Farrow and F. Findley were slightly damaged yesterday afternoon in a collision at the intersection of Thompson Avenue and Cadboro Bay Road.

Esquimalt police reported a car being driven west on Macaulay Street at 5.15 in the morning by Frank Norton, struck the guard rail and turned over in the ditch. Norton received several cuts and was given first aid at the station.

## Kamloops Soldier Killed in Calgary

**CALGARY (CP)**—Private D. F. Lee, 19, of Kamloops, B.C., died in the Belcher Hospital Christmas Day from injuries received when a truck on which he was riding crashed into a car on a city street.

Nine soldiers, who were riding on the same truck, are in hospital. Most seriously injured is Pte. M. Birney, who suffered double compound fractures of both legs and a fracture of one shoulder. His condition was poor today.

According to city police, 15 soldiers were riding on an ice truck when it came into collision with the car and then overturned.

**They Were First**  
 Now universally used by surgeons, rubber gloves first were used in surgical operations at Johns Hopkins Hospital, Baltimore, Maryland.

Planting rice by airplane now is an established practice in the United States.

The British yard originally was defined as the length of the arm of King Henry I, by royal decree.

## Obituaries

## DR. W. L. HOLMES DIES SUDDENLY

Dr. W. Lane Holmes, retired physician and a resident of this city for over 20 years, died suddenly this morning at his home, 1472 Beach Drive, after a long illness.

Dr. Holmes was born in Toronto in 1867. He was a son of the late Thomas Holmes, who was editor of the Colonist, the first paper ever published in Toronto, which was then known as Little York. Dr. Holmes graduated in medicine from Bellevue, New York, and Toronto University, and practiced for over 50 years before retiring a few years ago.

He leaves his widow, at the family residence, two daughters, Mrs. A. B. Macdonald, Vancouver, who, with her husband, was spending Christmas with her parents, and Mrs. Cecil Laundry, Victoria, and one son, Dr. T. C. Holmes of Burns Lake, B.C.

Dr. and Mrs. Holmes would have celebrated their 59th wedding anniversary on February 1, 1941.

Funeral arrangements will be announced later by the Thomson Funeral Co.

**ROSE**—Mrs. Mary Frances Rose, aged 63, died on Christmas Day at the home of her son, Francis Rose, 2849 Heath Drive. She was born in Wenden, England, and came here 19 years ago from Kingston, Ont., to make her home. The funeral will be held Saturday afternoon at 2, Rev. George Biddle conducting service at the S. J. Curry and Son Funeral Home. Cremation at Royal Oak.

**KENNEDY**—The funeral of Mrs. Elizabeth Kennedy took place Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 from the Sands Mortuary. Arch-deacon Robert Connell conducted the service. Pallbearers: A. T. Hunkin, Carey Pope, C. F. B. Field, P. E. George, H. S. Hurn and Ald. J. A. Worthington. Interment at Colwood.

**CORBETT**—Rev. E. W. Robinson conducted last rites in McCall Bros. Funeral Chapel on Tuesday afternoon for Stanley Corbett. Interment was at Colwood. Pallbearers: W. Kiteley, L. Kiteley, A. Harrison, H. Gibson, F. J. Taylor and A. Harrison.

**JONES**—Rev. Dr. A. E. Whitehouse conducted service at the S. J. Curry and Son Funeral Home on Tuesday afternoon for Mrs. Mabel Elizabeth Jones. Interment at Royal Oak. Pallbearers: Stanley Moore, Eldon Knott, Winston Robinson, Gordon Scott, Ronald Whittington and Elmer Charlton.

**McKENZIE**—The funeral of Thomas Conal McKenzie of 1513 Hampshire Road, who died on Monday at St. Joseph's Hospital, will be held on Saturday afternoon at 2, from McCall Bros. Funeral Home. Mr. McKenzie was born in Nova Scotia 56 years ago, and served overseas in the Great War with the Black Devils of Medicine Hat, Alta. He had been a resident of this city for 22 years.

**PATERSON**—Mrs. Mary Paterson, wife of John Paterson, of 3126 Harriet Road, died at the family residence yesterday. She was born in Westphalia, Germany, and came to this province 40 years ago, residing for many years at Cowichan before coming to Victoria 20 years ago to make her home. Funeral will be held on Saturday afternoon at 3.30 from the S. J. Curry and Son Fu-

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**neral Home, Rev. P. C. Hayman officiating. Cremation at Royal Oak.**

**FAULKNER**—Mrs. Hannah Faulkner, wife of Frank Faulkner of 3336 Shelbourne Street, died this morning at the Royal Jubilee Hospital. She had been a resident of this city for about 18 months. Funeral arrangements will be announced later by the Thomson Funeral Home.

**RUSSELL**—The funeral of Lorne McKay Russell will be held on Friday afternoon at 3.30 from St. Paul's Naval and Garrison Church, Esquimalt. Rev. A. Bischofberger will officiate and interment will be at the Naval and Military Cemetery. The Thomson Funeral Co. has charge of arrangements.

**The Mary Constance Dress Shop, 784 Fort Street,** reported to police that a dress had been stolen Tuesday evening from a Rockland Avenue home. The delivery man found the purchaser was not home and left the garment hanging on the doornob.

**Primulas, rosebuds and snowdrops** were picked Christmas morning by Mr. and Mrs. W. Raines in their garden at 3800 Douglas Street. Mr. Raines, who is an ardent rose grower, aims each year to pick buds for his family's Christmas dinner table and usually he has a fine display.

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## Canada Cracks Fifth Column

By **WILLIAM AUSTIN**  
 "Canada has cracked down on fifth columnists, turning the Dominion into a no-man's-land for Communists, Nazis or anyone else considered likely to disrupt the war effort."

A little red book called "Defence of Canada Regulations" was the big stick swung by Royal Canadian Mounted Police and provincial authorities to smash the Communist Party in Canada and the Nazi-inspired National Unity Party. The regulations, in terms so broad they can fit any situation arising from the war, confer on the government powers usually associated with a dictatorship.

Disclosure of the treachery of subversive elements on the European battlefields and how they paved the way for German troops to invade the Lowlands brought an insistent public demand that the Canadian government round up riders of the Trojan horse. Secret agents supplied the evidence and the Mounties swung into action.

First to feel the power of the little red book were the Communists. An Ottawa test case convicted three young Reds of actions injurious to the war effort. They were sentenced to terms ranging from two to three years plus fines from \$1,000 to \$2,000.

Immediately, on their conviction, Cecil L. Snyder, Deputy Attorney-General of Ontario, received from Supreme Court Justice E. R. E. Chevrier an order declaring the Communist Party illegal.

The court order broke the back of Communism in Canada. Defence of Canada Regulations stipulate that when an organization has been declared illegal "every person who thereafter continues to be or becomes an officer or member thereof or professes to be such, or who advocates or defends the acts, principles or policies of such illegal organization shall be guilty of an offence against this regulation."

Next on the list came the black-shirted members of the National Unity Party. A raid on their Montreal headquarters netted three truckloads of pamphlets, letters and documents. Most of the evidence was anti-Semitic propaganda, but Quebec's Attorney-General Wilfrid Groulx found grounds to lay charges under the regulations against Adrien Arcand, self-styled fuhrer of the N.U.P., James Farr, national organizer and other Fascist leaders. They will be tried in Montreal shortly.

But sending known Communists and Fascists to cover was not enough to appease the public. The unknowns, the real fifth columnists, were more danger-

ous because they could not be watched. What the country feared were saboteurs, whisperers of treason and underminers of morale. The late Defence Minister Rogers had a partial answer to the public demand.

A Veterans' Home Guard, 5,000 strong, was organized from the Canadian Legion. Armed, uniformed and stationed at vital war industries, electric power plants and other public utilities, the Guards took care of any saboteurs.

As for the rest of the fifth columnists, Justice Minister Ernest Lapointe assured the House of Commons that Canada will be guarded against subversive elements, that the Mounties and their secret service "are in complete control of the situation, both present and as it may develop."

"The law and the regulations as they stand cover all possible eventualities," he continued.

"Persons of enemy origin suspected of Nazi activities have been interned. Persons of potential enemy origin are known and being closely watched. All military precautions have been instituted to safeguard public works, communications, transport facilities and other property from sabotage or so-called fifth column activities."



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In "Little Nellie Kelly," Miss Garland plays not only her first solo starring role, but also is given her first "grown up" love affair. George Murphy, Charles Winniger and Douglas McPhail have featured supporting roles in the new production, which was directed by Norman Taurog.

**U.S. Deadline On Alien Register**

WASHINGTON (AP)—Aliens residing in the United States who have not already done so, must register and be fingerprinted before today ends, officials said.

Calling attention to the compulsory registration laws, Earl G. Harrison, director of registration, gave a final warning to all non-citizens that those who deliberately disobey the law "have forfeited any claim to Uncle Sam's mercy and must suffer all of the consequences."

Those failing to register, or giving false information, are liable to a \$1,000 fine and six months imprisonment. The Registration Act became law last June 28.

**Roosevelt to Tell Of Aid to Britain**

WASHINGTON (AP)—Stephen Early, secretary to President Roosevelt, told newsmen today the President will be "very specific" concerning war aid to Britain in his radio address to the nation next Sunday night.



**BALLET FROM 'THE FUNNIES'**—Scene from "The New Yorker" hilarious new comedy ballet based on the cartoon characters of the New Yorker Magazine. This gay new feature will highlight the program of the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo which appears at the Royal Victoria Theatre for one night, January 20. This great company of 150 comes to Victoria intact with all the gorgeous costumes and elaborate scenery for which it is famous. A symphony orchestra will play for the ballet. Mail orders are now being received at Fletcher Bros. Music Store, 1130 Douglas Street, for this Hilker attraction.

**'CHARLEY'S AUNT' AT OAK BAY**

Most of the action in "Charley's (Big-hearted) Aunt," showing at the Oak Bay Theatre, is set in Oxford. At least one member of the cast who should know something about that type of life is Richard Murdoch—"Stinker" to you—for he was educated at Cambridge.

But it may be doubtful if he does know much about it because he spent most of his time with the Footlights—Cambridge Students' Dramatic Society. So much so that he neglected his studies and failed to get a degree.

"Dickie," tall and handsome and—female fans please note—the loveliest pair of blue eyes you ever saw, was born in Tunbridge Wells in 1907 and studied at Charterhouse.

His father always wanted him to be a teacher, and after his failures at Cambridge secured a post for him in an uncle's college. The job lasted exactly three weeks, as he found out the life didn't suit him.

**PLAZA THEATRE**  
Eight once-famous stars of the silent screen have dedicated their names to the first organized movement to stabilize the traditions of motion-picture industry. Charles Ray, Maurice Costello, Pat O'Malley, Monte Blue, Kenneth Harlan, William Desmond, Noah Beery and Fred Kelsey portray Gloria Jean's uncles in Universal's "A Little Bit of Heaven," now at the Plaza Theatre.

**YORK THEATRE**  
Gerald and his BBC orchestra are one of the most popular features on the radio in England today and yet they are only a small part of the picture opening at the York Theatre on Christmas Day entitled "Laugh It Off." The orchestra, along with Jean Colin, who appeared in "The Mikado," and the Empire Military Band are all combined to bring some of the most lavish musical numbers based on current popular hits in England and old favorites. Those who see "Laugh It Off" will be paying a visit to Trafalgar Square, Piccadilly Circus.

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**ATLAS THEATRE**  
Fred Cavens, a master swordsman, acted as expert adviser to Errol Flynn in the noble science of defence during production of "The Sea Hawk" at the Warner Bros. studio. The film, one of the outstanding pictures of recent times, is now showing at the Atlas Theatre.

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## Schooner Alberni Sends Out Call

SEATTLE (CP)—A trouble call from the famed five-masted Canadian-owned schooner City of Alberni, better known as the Vigilant, 500 miles off Cape Flattery, sent a tug toward her side from Seattle last night.

A report to the Puget Sound Tug and Barge Company here said the 1,598-ton City of Alberni, famed for her cross-Pacific races in the days of sail, had sprung a mizzen mast and was taking some water.

Lindley Davis, tug company manager, said the schooner was not believed in distress, since no further word has been heard from her since Monday night.

Davis said a tug would cruise out from Cape Flattery in search of the windjammer. He added he understood that the City of Alberni was carrying a sugar cargo from Australia to British Columbia, and carried a crew of 10 or 11 men.

The schooner formerly plied in the lumber trade between Puget Sound and Hawaii.

### COASTGUARD SEARCH

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—The United States coastguard organized a search today for 10 coastguardmen unreported since early Christmas Day when huge waves beat their attempt to force their small motor lifeboat into Point Arena.

They had left their station at Point Arena 10 hours earlier in response to distress calls from the waterlogged coastal lumber schooner Stanwood and her crew of 22.

Seas were running so strong they washed out wharves at Point Arena.

Meanwhile the coastguard cutter Shoshone steamed toward San Francisco with the waterlogged Stanwood in tow.

No let-up was in sight for the storm which has pounded coastlines of California, Oregon and Washington.

The tug Active cruised out of Puget Sound, hunting for the Canadian schooner City of Alberni, which reported itself in trouble 500 miles west of Cape Flattery.

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## Deliver Christmas Present to Britain

MONTREAL (CP)—Jimmy Mattern, veteran round-the-world flier, dropped down to nearby St. Hubert airport yesterday, bringing the British empire a Christmas present—a big camouflaged twin-engine 1,200-horsepower Hudson bomber, gift of the workers of the Lockheed Vega plant in California to Great Britain.

Mattern and engine mechanic, left Burbank, Cal., with the plane Sunday and turned the machine over to Royal Canadian Air Force pilots on their arrival here.

### C.P.R. Retirements

WINNIPEG—R. A. Pyne, Winnipeg, superintendent of the motive power and car department of the C.P.R. for western Canada, will retire December 31 after 33 years' service, it is announced by W. A. Mather, general manager of western lines.

Mr. Pyne, whose retirement heads a list of other retirements, promotions and changes in the railway company's western mechanical department, will be succeeded as superintendent by Edward G. Bowie.

Walter G. Stenason, master car builder in the mechanical department, also retires at the end of the year. He will be succeeded by R. M. Moehre.

N. R. Crump, chief draughtsman in the motive power department, Winnipeg, is promoted to the post of assistant superintendent, succeeding Mr. Bowie.

### NOTICE TO MARINERS

Mariners are advised that the lighted beacon on Matilda Creek, Clayoquot Sound, B.C., is reported carried away.

Also the lighted beacon on Canoe Rock, Moresby Passage, is reported not burning. The above lights will be attended to at the first opportunity.

## C.N.R. Operating Revenues Soar

MONTREAL—Net revenue of \$5,524,224 for the month of November and of \$38,733,861 for the 11-month period, January to November inclusive, is shown in the monthly statement of operating revenues, operating expenses and net revenue of the Canadian National Railways all-inclusive system issued at headquarters today.

Operating revenues were \$22,389,448 in November of this year and operating expenses \$16,865,224. There was an increase in net revenue of \$549,620 for the month over that of last year.

For the 11 months of the present year operating revenues were \$223,790,418, an increase of \$39,016,549 over the corresponding period of last year. Operating expenses up to November 30 of this year were \$185,056,557, an increase of \$17,363,493 over the similar period of 1939. The net revenue of \$38,733,861 for the first 11 months of 1940 represents an increase of \$21,633,056 over the corresponding period of 1939.

### Everleigh Shelled

NEW YORK (AP)—A dash for safety by the British steamship Everleigh to escape the shells of a pursuing submarine was told yesterday in two terse distress signals.

In her first appeal for aid the 5,222-ton freighter was reported being shelled by the submarine approximately 650 miles west of the northern tip of Scotland.

Three hours later Mackay Radio picked up this message from the vessel at 8:50 a.m. M.S.T.:

"Still being shelled and chased by submarine."

The position given—latitude 59.20 north, longitude 21.20 west—was about 40 miles northeast of the spot where the ship was first attacked.

The Everleigh, which traded between Belgium and Britain before the war, was built in 1930 and is owned by the Atlantic Shipping and Trading Company. Her home port is London.

## BRITAIN TO CUT MEAT RATIONS

LONDON (CP)—Great Britain's meat ration is likely to be reduced from that purchasable for one shilling tenpence (about 37 cents) per week to purchases of one shilling sixpence (about 30 cents) per week per person early in January, it was reported reliably today.

(Britain rations meat by price rather than weight. The one shilling tenpence allowance bought about a pound and a half of beef.)

Pork, tripe, kidneys, liver and sausages, which hitherto have not been rationed, now may be part of the ration. Members of the fighting services, who until now have enjoyed larger rations, are expected to take a cut in proportion to that given the civilian population in the new order by the Minister of Food, Lord Woolton.

### Noparo Goes to Navy

BOSTON (AP)—The Noparo, palatial yacht of the former Barbara Hutton, dime store heiress, is going into the United States navy.

It was being refitted as a naval auxiliary today at a Boston ship-

## R.A.F. Score 39 to 9 On Albania Front

LONDON (CP)—Italy lost at least 39 airplanes to nine British losses in operations in the Greek-Italian conflict from November 7 to December 21, the Air Ministry news service announced today in giving details of Royal Air Force activities in support of the Greeks.

Valona was bombed on five days or nights in November and six times in December, while Durazzo was attacked six days or nights and Santi Quaranta, two. Main damage to Valona, the Air Ministry report said, was the explosion of a munition dump November 11, setting on fire two large ships December 2, blowing up of a munition dump December 6, damaging of a large ship December 7 and of another on December 10, and the burning of barracks on the 14th, of a warehouse on the 18th, and of gasoline dumps on the 19th. (In Athens it was announced that Valona was divebombed by the R.A.F. and left enveloped in palls of black smoke.)

A fuel depot in Durazzo was reported completely gutted by a fire started November 11, while a 10,000-ton ship was hit November 24 and a small ship nearby set ablaze. Dock explosions were caused December 15 and 16, the report said.

### LEAFLETS DROPPED

ROME (AP)—British fliers dropped propaganda leaflets and incendiary bombs on Naples in a nighttime raid Tuesday, bombed the Libyan base of Tripoli and "attempted" to raid the Albanian port of Valona, the Italian high command claimed.

## Start on U.S. Yard For British Ships

SOUTH PORTLAND, Me. (AP)—Heavy machinery arrived today at the 40-acre site where preliminary work has begun on construction of a big shipyard where 30 merchantmen for Britain will be built.

A 1,500-foot coffer dam will be put up to hold back the waters of Portland harbor.

The basin, where officials expect the first seven keels for the 410-foot ships will be laid in a few months, will be 750 feet along the waterfront, and will extend back 450 feet from the low water mark.

The 30 vessels will cost \$50,000,000, it is estimated, and the new shipyards will employ between 4,000 to 5,000 men.

### Sailors Fight

SHANGHAI (AP)—Nine United States marines and three sailors from the U.S. gunboat Luzon, who were injured in a Christmas Eve fight with Italian marines in a Shanghai cafe, left the hospital today in time to enjoy turkey dinners.

Both sides refused details of the squabble, including the number of Italians injured.

It was understood that the incident was settled amicably by American and Italian officers after military police of both countries had stopped the fighting.

### TO KEEP U.S. OUT

SEATTLE (AP)—A solemn warning against entanglement with any nation abroad that would bring the United States into war was sounded by Bishop Gerald Shaughnessy in his Christmas sermon at St. James Cathedral.

While he mentioned no nation by name, Bishop Shaughnessy referred to "committees" which might be using "insidious propaganda" to stir up mass hysteria to engulf this country.

### U.S. Plane Crashes

JOHNSTOWN, Pa. (AP)—A railroad engineer reported to Johnstown police today that an airplane "apparently had crashed against a mountain side" about six miles west of Johnstown. Officials at Mitchell Field, New York, reported they had been informed the ship was an army plane and that it had crashed "somewhere near Johnstown." Further details were lacking.

## MacKinnon Back In Ottawa, Rests

OTTAWA (CP)—Trade Minister MacKinnon, forced by illness to abandon for the time being at least a trade mission to South America, rested at his home here today. He will spend the next few days resting up.

The minister reached New York yesterday with other members of the mission.

yard. Officials there said they understood she turned the 157-foot yacht over to the government for \$1.

## Defence Stocks Lively

NEW YORK (AP)—A fancy for a handful of specialties connected with the national defence provided the stock market with its principal source of liveliness today, while most parts of the list drifted quietly. Turnover ran at the rate of about 700,000 shares.

Among the Canadian stocks, four showed fractional gains. Disasters Corporation, Seagrams and Lake Shore each was up  $\frac{1}{4}$ . McIntyre jumped  $\frac{1}{2}$  and Dome Mines advanced  $\frac{1}{4}$ . Canadian Pacific held unchanged. Among bonds Canada 4s dropped  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

Favored with advances of fractions to three or more points were Timken Detroit Axle, New York Shipbuilding, Bath Iron Works, Lima Locomotive and the preferreds of American Locomotive and Jones and Laughlin Steel.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)  
Dow Jones averages closed today as follows:  
30 Industrials...129.06, up 0.11  
20 rails...27.30, up 0.10  
20 utilities...19.55, off 0.06  
Sales 570,000.

Allied Chemicals...162.4  
Allis-Chalmers...35.6  
American Can...34.8  
American L. & Z...15.7  
American Locomotive...10.5  
American P. & L...3.9  
American Rolling Mills...14.7  
Armstrong & Co...62.1  
American Tel. & Tel...109.9  
Anacostia Copper...26.2  
Atlantic Refining...24.6  
B. & O. Railway...37.1  
Baldwin Locomotive...15.1  
Bendix Aviation...39.1  
Beth Steel...17.1  
Boeing...23.7  
Briggs...3.2  
Case (J. I.)...5.3  
C. & O. Railway...41.5  
Consolidated...14.5  
Crown Zellerbach...37.4  
Crucible Steel...46.3  
Curtis-Wright...28.2  
Do. A...2.2  
Douglas Aircraft...164.4  
DuPont...31.1  
Eastman Kodak...123.4  
Eaton...27.5  
Federal Reserve Bank...28.3  
General Foods...36.6  
General Electric...32.5  
General Motors...48.5  
Goodyear...28.5  
Grain Processing...5.4  
Great Northern...28.3  
Great Western...27.5  
Hercules Powder...24.2  
Inland Empire...40.7  
Int. Nickel...22.4  
Ind. Rayon...6.3  
Int. Central...37.4  
Johns-Manville...31.2  
Kaiser Aluminum...31.2  
Loew's...39.4  
Mack Truck...39.4  
Monsanto Chemical...79.4  
Montgomery Ward...27.5  
National Cash Register...4.6  
National Dairy Products...13.2  
National Life Insurance...16.2  
Northern Pacific...6.7  
Ohio Oil...27.5  
Pacific Gas & Electric...10.3  
Packard...31.4  
Paramount Pictures...31.4  
People's Gas...40.3  
Phillips Petroleum...39.2  
Pulman...4.4  
Radio...4.4  
Republic Iron and Steel...21.2  
Safeway Stores...42.2  
Schlitz...10.7  
Sears Roebuck...8.4  
Society Vacuum...7.4  
Southern Railway...37.3  
Spartan Corp...6.1  
Standard Brands...1.1  
Standard Oil California...18.4  
Do New Jersey...33.4  
Stewart Warner...6.4  
Texas Corp...39.4  
Texas Gulf Sulphur...6.1  
Union Carbide...68.6  
Union Pacific...12.1  
United Aircraft...41.7  
United Airlines...15.3  
United Fruit...60.7  
United Gas and Imp...9.5  
U.S. Smelting...23.5  
U.S. Rubber...21.5  
Do. Tire...82.3  
U.S. Steel...68.3  
Vanderbilt...3.4  
Warner Bros...20.2  
Westinghouse Airbrake...101.4  
Western Union...19.7  
Woolworth...30.8  
Zenith Radio...14.4

### TRADING QUIET

MONTREAL (CP)—Trading continued at a quiet pace today. Brazilian and Shawinigan were moderately higher. Gattineau dropped a fraction.

Noranda backed  $\frac{1}{4}$  while Asbestos sold down a fraction. Canada Steamships preferred and disintegrators Seagrams sported fraction advances.

## DISTILLERS HIT TOP

TORONTO (CP)—Industrials advanced, golds held firm to slightly higher, base metals were down narrowly and eastern oils steady in the first session of Toronto Stock Exchange following the Christmas holiday.

Distillers Seagrams gained  $\frac{1}{4}$  to 28 $\frac{1}{2}$ , a new high for 1940, and Brazilian  $\frac{1}{4}$  to 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ .

Kerr-Addison Gold advanced 10 to a new high at \$4. Fractional declines were chalked up for Consolidated Smelters and Noranda. Steep Rock weakened a cent to 1.47.

Western oils were in dull trade, with prices steady but for a loss of 8 for Home Oil to 2.27.

## Fire Wants to Buy Arms From U.S.

NEW YORK (AP)—Eire wants to buy weapons from the United States to help maintain her neutrality. Prime Minister de Valera said in a Christmas message.

Addressing the United States in a broadcast from Dublin over the Columbia Broadcasting System, Mr. de Valera said Eire had proclaimed its intention of staying out of the war, but had greatly strengthened its army and other lines of defence.

Stocks of food and raw materials "are being steadily exhausted" by the blockade of the islands, and Mr. de Valera asked Americans "to help us, should the blockade grow tighter, to secure the supply of foodstuffs which are essential to our people."

### Home From Valcartier

Lieut. T. Guy Shepherd, who went away from here with the Foresters contingent in early autumn, is home for the Christmas holidays. Ten other Foresters came with him. Two weeks' leave after their first six months' service in addition to one week Christmas leave, gives them better than a week here, until about New Year's day. Lieut. Shepherd, who distinguished himself as an officer in the last war, said Valcartier Camp near Quebec, is a pretty cold place this time of the year and the boys hope to be moved on from there any time.

## KILLER CAPTURED

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP)—A five-day manhunt in two states for the slayer of a Georgia highway patrolman ended here today at Fulton county jail, where a youthful escaped life-term convict who had played a desperate hide-and-seek with bloodhounds and posse was charged with murder.

Georgia Public Safety Commissioner Sullivan said the man, booked as Charles Coates, 28, admitted he had shot Patrol Corporal W. F. Black at Ringgold, Ga., Friday night after Black had stopped him for reckless driving.

### Egg Prices

These prices are obtained daily from the office of the Dominion Government Poultry Products Inspection Service, Ottawa. Prices as announced December 24 are:  
To producer, delivered, cases returned:  
Grade A large...29c  
Grade A medium...28c  
Grade A pullets...27c  
Wholesale to retail:  
Grade A large...30c  
Grade A medium...29c  
Grade A pullets...28c

## Wheat

CHICAGO (AP)—Wheat prices fluctuated within a range of less than 1 cent today, advancing fractionally and then dipping about  $\frac{1}{4}$  cent below the previous close. Prices showed recovery before the close to around the day's best level.

Trade nervousness reflected the waiting attitude of most dealers in view of continued slow flour business despite modest pre-Christmas improvement, particularly in the export market. There were no over-the-holiday developments on which to base market action.

Wheat closed unchanged to  $\frac{1}{4}$  higher, compared with Tuesday. May 85 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 85 $\frac{1}{2}$ , July 80 $\frac{1}{2}$  to 80 $\frac{1}{2}$ ; corn unchanged to  $\frac{1}{4}$  off, December 61 $\frac{1}{2}$ , May 61; oats  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  higher.

(By H. A. Humber Ltd.)  
Wheat: High Low Close  
May...85-7 85-1 85-6  
July...80-4 77-7 80-3  
September...80-4 78-7 80-3  
Corn:  
May...61-4 61-1 61-1  
July...61-3 60-9 61-1  
September...61-1 60-5 60-6  
Oats:  
May...36-1 35-8 36-1  
July...32-4 32-2 32-4

### FOREIGN

(By Burns & Wainwright Ltd.)  
Australia 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1936...47.25 48.25  
Bolivia 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1936...7.00 7.25  
Chile 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1961...10.75 12.00  
Colombia 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1961...28.75 30.25  
Italy 7 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1961...42.75 44.25  
Japan 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1954...62.25 64.25  
Peru 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1961...6.75 7.25  
Sydney 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1960...69.75 71.25  
United Kingdom 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1960...29.75 31.25  
Above prices in New York.

### PROVINCIAL

Alberta 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1963...61.00 63.50  
Do 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1950...60.75 68.00  
British Columbia 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1957...98.00 100.00  
Do 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1953...101.00 103.50  
Do 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1953...104.50 107.00  
Manitoba 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1960...83.00 85.00  
Do 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1954...98.75 100.75  
New Brunswick 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1961...99.00 102.00  
Nova Scotia 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1952...105.50 108.50  
Ontario 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1950...109.25 111.25  
Quebec 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1958...100.50 103.50  
Saskatchewan 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1952...84.50 87.50  
Do 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1952...90.50 93.50

### CORPORATION

Abitibi 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1953...67.50 69.50  
B.C. Pulp 6 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1950...89.50 92.50  
Brown Co. 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1946...48.50 50.50  
Calgary Power 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1960...103.00 105.50  
Canada Cement 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1961...102.50 105.50  
Canadian National 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1957...96.75 98.75  
C.P.R. 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1945...94.25 96.25  
Do 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1951...83.25 85.25  
Dominion Tar 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1951...100.50 102.50  
Famous Players 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1951...100.00 102.50  
Gatineau Power 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1949...102.00 104.00  
Maple Leaf 3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1950...74.00 76.00  
Massey Harris 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1954...83.00 85.00  
McColl Frontenac 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1949...100.50 103.50  
Shawinigan 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1961...101.00 103.25  
Simpsons Ltd. 4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1951...100.00 102.50  
U. Grain Growers 5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % 1948...90.50 98.50

### DOMINION OF CANADA

(By A. E. Ames & Co.)  
5 $\frac{1}{2}$ % November 1941...102 $\frac{1}{2}$  103 $\frac{1}{2}$   
1 $\frac{1}{2}$ % October 1943...108 $\frac{1}{2}$  109 $\frac{1}{2}$   
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % October 1944...108 $\frac{1}{2}$  109 $\frac{1}{2}$   
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % October 1945-46...105 $\frac{1}{2}$  106 $\frac{1}{2}$   
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % February 1946...108 $\frac{1}{2}$  110 $\frac{1}{2}$   
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % June 1946-49...102 $\frac{1}{2}$  103 $\frac{1}{2}$   
3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % October 1944-49...102 $\frac{1}{2}$  103 $\frac{1}{2}$   
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % November 1948-51...101 $\frac{1}{2}$  102 $\frac{1}{2}$   
2 $\frac{1}{2}$ % February 1948-52...101 $\frac{1}{2}$  102 $\frac{1}{2}$   
3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % October 1949-55...98 $\frac{1}{2}$  99 $\frac{1}{2}$   
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % October 1947-53...104 $\frac{1}{2}$  105 $\frac{1}{2}$   
3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % June 1950-55...98 $\frac{1}{2}$  99 $\frac{1}{2}$   
3 $\frac{1}{2}$ % June 1953-58...97 $\frac{1}{2}$  98 $\frac{1}{2}$   
4 $\frac{1}{2}$ % November 19